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Grand Chief Conductor.

PROCEEDINGS
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OF THE
Order of Railway Conductors,

(FORMERLY CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD.)

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PREFACE.

The following brief history of the organization now known as the Order of Railway Conductors is believed by the author to be substantially correct, and is written not because he feels qualified for the task, but simply because there is great need for something of the kind before it becomes lost in oblivion. Already many, very many, of those who were active in originating and furthering the object of forming an Association of Railroad Conductors are sleeping their last long sleep, and but few short years may elapse before all will have passed away.

Some time during the spring of 1868 the conductors employed by the Illinois Central Railroad at Amboy, Ill., organized themselves into an association which they called the "Conductors' Union," and conductors employed on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, at Galesburg, hearing of it, concluded to organize also. Accordingly Messrs. Joseph Packard and Wm. Weir, after consulting on the matter, placed on the "bulletin board" a notice requesting the conductors interested to meet on the evening of June 17th, for that purpose. At the appointed time Messrs. Joseph Packard, Scott Dewey, E. A. Sadd, H. Evans, Peter Clark, George McIntosh, Ed. Russell, J. Freeman, H. F. Dodd, Frank Hughes, Peter Kelley and Daniel Elliott met, effected an organization, calling themselves "Galesburg Division, No. 2, of the Conductors' Union," and elected the following officers: President, Joseph Packard; Vice-President, E. A. Sadd; Secretary, Daniel Elliott; Treasurer, H. Evans; Guide, Scott Dewey. A Constitution and By-Laws were adopted and Joseph Packard selected to confer with the Amboy organization in regard to a consolidation.

At a meeting held June 20th, the following were made members: Chas. Main, A. C. Richardson, Wm. Collins, J. C. Coleman, George Merrill, Emery D. Young, H. L. Angevine, H. C. Bristol, H. McKean, Neal Ruggles. At the meeting held June 25th James Working was made a member. Richard Love, Fred Nance, and Edward DeGroot became members at the last meeting the division ever held, Sept. 28th, 1868.

The result of the conference between Mr. Packard and the members of the "Conductors' Union" at Amboy was an arrangement for a meeting at Mendota, Ill., of three delegates each from Amboy and Galesburg. This meeting was held July 6th, 1868. The delegates from Amboy were Capt. S. G. Comstock, J. W. Seymour and Josiah Purinton; from Galesburg, C. A. Main, J. C. Coleman and Daniel Elliott, and by them the "Conductors' Brotherhood" was formed, a Constitution and By-Laws adopted,

and the following Grand Officers elected : Grand Chief Conductor, J. C. Coleman; Assistant Grand Chief Conductor, S. G. Comstock; Grand Secretary, Daniel Elliott; Grand Treasurer, E. A. Sadd; Grand Sentinel, J. W. Seymour. C. A. Main and Joseph Packard were appointed a Committee on Printing. Subordinate divisions were organized—No. 2 at Galesburg, during August; No. 1 at Amboy, Sept. 9th; No. 3 at Aurora, during August; and No. 4 at Centralia, Sept. 29th.

Grand Secretary Elliott was killed while in the discharge of his duty as a conductor on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad and the records of the Brotherhood up to that time were lost and have never been recovered.

In October, 1868, Mr. Robert Harris notified conductors employed on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, of which he was then Superintendent, that members of the "Brotherhood" would not be continued in the employ of the company, and in consequence Mr. Joseph Packard and Bro. E. D. Young left the service of the company and others withdrew from the Association, and in consequence Divisions Nos. 2 and 3 became defunct. The divisions at Amboy and Centralia struggled along for some time but finally gave up. Just what time they ceased to work is unknown, but the charters were declared forfeited by the Grand Division—Centralia in November, 1871, and Amboy in November, 1876.

During the month of November, 1868, and but a few months after the organization at Mendota, the following circular was issued :

To all the Railroad Conductors in the United States and British Provinces:

We, the conductors of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne & Chicago Railway, request you to join us in a convention in the city of Columbus, Ohio, Dec. 15th, 1868, for the purpose of forming a Brotherhood of Conductors. The object being to protect ourselves and families in case of sickness, accident or death.

For a long time we have felt the necessity of an organization of this kind, and, knowing your danger and necessities are parallel with our own, we feel confident this move will meet your approbation. We, therefore, call upon you to send one or more delegates from each division of your respective roads.

In behalf of the conductors of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway, we respectfully subscribe ourselves,

A. G. BLACK.
G. Z. CRUZEN.

This convention was duly held, delegates from the original Conductors' Brotherhood participating, a Revised Constitution adopted, Grand Officers elected, and the Mutual Insurance Association instituted, and from this time our connected record of proceedings begins.

Of the persons intimately connected with the origin and early history

of the Conductors' Brotherhood, Wm. Weir and Neal Ruggles are yet running passenger trains on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad; Ed. A. Sadd, first Grand Treasurer, is General Baggage Agent of the same road and a member of Chicago Div., No. 1.

Capt. S. G. Comstock, the first Assistant Grand Chief Conductor, is running a train on a branch of the Chicago and North-Western Railway in Iowa.

J. W. Seymour, first Grand Sentinel, is, I believe, yet with the Illinois Central as Assistant Superintendent.

Josiah Purinton was in Wisconsin when last heard of by the writer.

C. A. Main is doing well on a farm two miles from Galesburg.

J. C. Coleman, the first Grand Chief Conductor, is now on a farm in Nebraska.

Daniel Elliott, the first Grand Secretary, was killed on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad.

Joseph Packard, who was elected Grand Secretary at Columbus, held the office continuously until the session at Atlanta, when the late J. C. W. Long was elected to succeed him. He was expelled by Aurora Div., No. 28, Feb. 20th, 1876, and is not now a member of the Order, although the Grand Division at its 17th session authorized, through the G. C. C., any division to reinstate him. He is at present in this city.

Alfred G. Black, one of the signers of the "call" from which resulted the meeting at Columbus and the reorganization of the Brotherhood, was elected Grand Chief Conductor at the second session of the Grand Division, held in Buffalo, N. Y., but died Aug. 23d, 1870, at Wooster, O., of typhoid fever.

G. Z. Cruzen, a signer of the call with A. G. Black, was a delegate to the first session of the G. D., where he acted as Assistant G. C. C. From this time he disappears from our record until the sixth session, held at Pittsburg, Pa., where he reappears as delegate from Crestline Div., No. 8, and he was at this session elected G. C. C., being re-elected at the seventh session, and expelled by the eighth at Atlanta, Ga., and the last the writer heard of him he was filling the dual position of clergyman and attorney at Dunkirk, Ohio.

A. R. Church was a delegate from the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway to the Columbus convention, and was elected Grand Chief Conductor, but never attended another session of the Grand Division. He was in the employ of the Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railway at Columbus, O., until some time in 1883, when he went to New Mexico.

John Miller, who was elected Grand Treasurer at Columbus, is still employed as passenger conductor by the Cumberland Valley Railway.

C. S. Moore, elected Grand Guide at Columbus, re-elected at Chicago, elected A. G. C. C. at Buffalo, became Grand Chief Conductor by the death of A. G. Black; was elected to that office at Philadelphia, and presided over the fourth session at Cleveland. He is now in the employ of the Hannes Distilling Co., of Martinsburg, W. Va.

J. D. Alverson, delegate from the Union Pacific Railway, was elected Grand Sentinel at Columbus, and is heard of no more in the Grand Division, and it is probable that he never became a member of a division of the Brotherhood, as none were organized on the line of the Union Pacific Railway until No. 35, at Omaha, in June, 1875. When London Div., No. 16, London, Ont., was organized, in February, 1881, J. D. Alverson was one of the charter members. He is now running a passenger train on the Michigan and Ohio Railway.

James Working is Train Master on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad at Burlington.

Emery D. Young is Northwestern Passenger Agent for some railway, and is located at Minneapolis.

The following is a list of the Grand Officers from the organization at Mendota to the present time.

GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTORS.

J. C. Coleman, Galesburg, Ill., July, 1868, to December, 1868.

A. R. Church, Fort Wayne, Ind., December, 1868, to October, 1869.

A. G. Black, Fort Wayne, Ind., October, 1869. Died Aug. 23d, 1870.

C. S. Moore, Martinsburg, W. Va., succeeded by death of A. G. Black, to November, 1871.

I. N. Hodges, Wellsville, O., November, 1871, to November, 1872.

J. W. Silsbee, Scranton, Pa., November, 1872 to November, 1873.

G. Z. Cruzen, Crestline, O., November, 1873, to November, 1875. Expelled by Grand Division, Atlanta, Ga., November, 1875.

Wm. L. Collins, Hornellsville, N. Y., November, 1875, to October, 1878.

John B. Morford, New York City, October, 1878, to October, 1880.

C. S. Wheaton, Elmira, N. Y., October, 1880, to —.

ASSISTANT GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR.

S. G. Comstock, Amboy, Ill., July, 1868, to December, 1868.

W. E. Griswold, Keokuk, Iowa, December, 1868, to October, 1869.

C. S. Moore, Martinsburg, W. Va., October, 1869, and succeeded to office of G. C. C. by death of A. G. Black.

Oliver Perin, Baltimore, Md., October, 1870, to November, 1871.

George H. Hill, Baltimore, Md., November, 1871, to November, 1873.

M. L. Smith, Altoona, Pa., November, 1873, to November, 1875.

C. A. Stanchfield, Creston, Iowa, November, 1875, to November, 1876.

J. H. O'Bryan, Omaha, Neb., November, 1876, to October, 1877.

C. A. Stanchfield, Creston, Iowa, October, 1877, to October, 1878.

Wm. Kilpatrick, Chicago, Ill., October, 1878, to October, 1880.

R. E. Fitzgerald, St. Louis, Mo., October, 1880, to October, 1882.

John N. Robinson, Milwaukee, Wis., October, 1882, to October, 1883.

Samuel H. Defries, Toronto, Ont., October, 1883, to October, 1884.

F. H. Belknap, Galesburg, Ill., October, 1884, to October, 1885.

E. B. Coman, Kansas City, Mo., October, 1885, to —.

GRAND SECRETARY.

Daniel Elliott, Galesburg, Ill., July, 1868. Killed.
 Joseph Packard, Galesburg, Ill., Dec. 1868, to November, 1875.
 J. C. W. Long, Fort Wayne, Ind., November, 1875, to October, 1878
 Wm. P. Daniels, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, October, 1878, to —.

GRAND TREASURER.

E. A. Sadd, Galesburg, Ill., July, 1868, to December, 1868.
 John Miller, Harrisburg, Pa., December, 1868, to October, 1869.
 G. B. Sage. (Not given.) October, 1869, to October, 1870.
 John Watson, Brookfield, Mo., October, 1870, to November, 1871.
 Wm. M. Stone, Memphis, Tenn., November, 1871, to November, 1872.
 M. L. Smith, Altoona, Pa., November, 1872, to November, 1873.
 Wm. L. Collins, Hornellsville, N. Y., November, 1873, to November, 1875.
 James M. Bradley, Atlanta, Ga., November, 1875, to November, 1876.
 Office combined with that of Grand Treasurer in November, 1876.

GRAND GUIDE (NOW GRAND SENIOR CONDUCTOR).

C. S. Moore, Martinsburg, W. Va., December, 1868, to October, 1869.
 N. K. Wager, Centralia, Ill., October, 1869, to October, 1870.
 J. W. Thompson, Martinsburg, W. Va., October, 1870, to November, 1871.
 James Hutchinson, Baltimore, Md., November, 1871, to November, 1872.
 B. F. Cornelius, Philadelphia, Pa., November, 1872, to November, 1873.
 J. W. Chambers, Atlanta, Ga., November, 1873, to November, 1875.
 C. S. Wheaton, Elmira, N. Y., November, 1875, to November, 1876.
 L. M. Blakesley, Fort Wayne, Ind., November, 1876, to October, 1877.
 J. C. Whissen, Newark, O., October, 1877, to October, 1878.
 H. S. Chapman, Lockport, N. Y., October, 1878, to October, 1879.
 L. R. Carver, Keokuk, Iowa, October, 1879, to October, 1880.
 John Clark, Moberly, Mo., October, 1880, to October, 1881.
 S. H. Defries, Toronto, Ont., October, 1881, to October, 1883.
 James Laughlin, Kansas City, Mo., October, 1883, to October, 1884.
 Wm. J. Durbin, Milwaukee, Wis., October, 1884, to —.

GRAND JUNIOR CONDUCTOR.

John R. Sandy, Chicago, Ill., October, 1877, to October, 1878.
 F. E. Ketchum, Waterloo, Iowa, October, 1878, to October, 1879.
 E. F. Verrill, Virginia City, Nev., October, 1879, to October, 1880.
 Wm. J. Jackman, Buffalo, N. Y., October, 1880, to October, 1881.
 Winfield S. Dunn, Scranton, Pa., October, 1881, to October, 1882.
 Levi Greer, Denver, Colo., October, 1882, to October, 1883.
 E. H. Belknap, Galesburg, Ill., October, 1883, to October, 1884.
 Wm. W. Flack, Minneapolis, Minn., October, 1884, to —.

GRAND INSIDE SENTINEL.

A. L. Vannaman, Creston, Iowa, November, 1874, to November, 1875.
 W. H. Morse, Omaha, Neb., November, 1875, to November, 1876.
 Geo. B. Rand, Aurora, Ill., November, 1876, to October, 1877.
 Alex. Rodgers, Moberly, Mo., October, 1877, to October, 1878.
 L. R. Carver, Keokuk, Iowa, October, 1878, to October, 1879.
 James L. Barber, Texarkana, Ark., October, 1879, to October, 1880.
 Ben. Arnum, St. Thomas, Ont., October, 1880, to October, 1881.
 Wm. H. George, Houston, Tex., October, 1881, to October, 1882.
 Geo. J. Johnson, LaCrosse, Wis., October, 1882, to October, 1883.
 L. P. Martin, St. Louis, Mo., October, 1883, to October, 1884.
 W. O. Mohler, The Dalles, Ore., October, 1884, to October, 1885.
 Chas. W. Everts, Meadville, Pa., October, 1885, to —.

GRAND SENTINEL (NOW GRAND OUTSIDE SENTINEL).

J. W. Seymour, Amboy, Ill., July, 1868, to December, 1868.
 J. D. Alverson, Bryant, Wyo., December, 1867, to October, 1869.
 W. J. Kinney, Baltimore, Md., October, 1869, to October, 1870.
 C. P. Brown, Baltimore, Md., October, 1870, to November, 1871.
 M. L. Smith, Altoona, Pa., November, 1871, to November, 1872.
 W. B. Kerr, Bloomington, Ill., November, 1872, to November, 1873.
 John D. Campbell, Wellsville, N. Y., November, 1873, to November, 1874.
 J. L. Ward, Amboy, Ill., November, 1874, to November, 1875.
 Lewis Kugler, Catawissa, Pa., November, 1875, to December —.
 J. W. Surles, Burlington, Iowa, November, 1876, to October, 1877.
 I. F. Davidson, Phillipsburg, N. J., October, 1877, to October, 1878.
 M. Long, Cleveland, O., October, 1878, to October, 1879.
 John F. Adams, Omaha, Neb., October, 1879, to October, 1881.
 Wm. A. Webster, St. Thomas, Ont., October, 1881, to October, 1882.
 Spencer E. Farnham, Prairie du Chien, Wis., October, 1882, to October, 1883.
 John D. Hamilton, Stratford, Ont., October, 1883, to October, 1884.
 H. E. Cronin, Boston, Mass., October, 1884, to October, 1885.
 James H. Hall, Toronto, Ont., October, 1885, to —.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. Ward Boyles, Cheyenne, Wyo., November, 1876, to October, 1877.
 Resigned.
 G. B. Evarts, Hornellsville, N. Y., November, 1876. Resigned.
 M. A. Shattuck, Buffalo, N. Y., to 1878. Appointed to fill vacancy.
 A. A. Sharp, Macon, Ga., November, 1876, to November, 1877.
 C. S. Wheaton, Elmira, N. Y., October, 1877, to October, 1880.
 J. H. Kimball, Port Jervis, N. Y., October, 1877, to October, 1879.
 Sam. A. Herman, Omaha, Neb., October, 1878, to October, 1881.

Charles R. Ashton, Burlington, Iowa, October, 1879, to October, 1882.

H. S. Chapman, Buffalo, N. Y., October, 1880, to October, 1883.

M. Ryan, New York City, October, 1881, to October, 1884.

J. S. Randolph, Brockville, Ont., October, 1882, to October, 1885.

John N. Robinson, Milwaukee, Wis., October, 1883, to —.

Hiram Hurty, Elmira, N. Y., October, 1884, to —.

E. H. Belknap, Galesburg, Ill., October, 1885, to —.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

Frank Rosencrans, Port Jervis, N. Y., October, 1880, to October, 1881

J. H. Archer, Cleveland, O., October, 1880, to October, 1882.

Geo. W. Slair, Elmira, N. Y., October, 1880. Forfeited membership in 1882.

E. Olin Soule, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, October, 1882, to October, 1884.

C. A. Miliard, Elmira, N. Y., October, 1883, to October, 1885.

Wm. H. Ingram, St. Thomas, Ont., October, 1884, to —.

W. S. Sears, Adrian, Mich., October, 1885, to —.

Hoping the above, in the absence of anything better, may be of some interest to members, and with many thanks to those who have replied to my many inquiries, I remain,

Sincerely yours in P. F.,

WM. P. DANIELS.

Chicago, Ill., October 1st, 1886.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
CONVENTION
RE-ORGANIZING THE
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD

HELD IN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS, OHIO,

Tuesday, December 13,

A. D. 1868.

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EDGAR A. SADD.
Grand Treasurer.

PROCEEDINGS,

COLUMBUS, OHIO, Tuesday, Dec. 15th, 1868.

Pursuant to a call issued by Messrs. A. G. Black and G. Z. Cruzen in behalf of the Conductors of the Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway, delegates from various railways in the United States met in the city of Columbus, Ohio, and were called to order by G. Z. Cruzen, who read the call for a convention.

A. G. Black was elected president, G. Z. Cruzen, secretary, and C. S. Moore, doorkeeper; L. W. Brown and Joseph Packard were appointed a committee on credentials, and reported the following delegates entitled to admission:

L. W. Brown, Division A, Pittsburg, Fort Wayne and Chicago Railway.

A. R. Church, " " " " " "

A. G. Black, " B, " " " "

G. Z. Cruzen, " " " " " "

J. Miller, Cumberland Valley Railway.

N. O. Crary, Indianapolis and St. Louis Railway.

C. S. Moore, Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

W. Grandstaff, " " "

W. R. Glissan, " " "

J. D. Alverson, Union Pacific Railroad.

W. E. Griswold, Des Moines Valley Railway.

R. Hoyland, Pittsburg, Cincinnati and St. Louis Railway.

Joseph Packard, Illinois Central Railroad.

Moved by N. O. Crary that the reporters of Columbus and Cincinnati papers be admitted. Carried. On motion N. O. Crary, J. D. Alverson, L. W. Brown, C. S. Moore and Joseph Packard were appointed a committee to prepare Constitution and By-Laws. On motion W. E. Griswold and John Harpham were appointed a committee to prepare business for the action of the convention. On motion adjourned to meet at 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Convention called to order by the president. No business appearing, adjourned until 7 P. M.

Immediately after adjournment Mr. Harvey Burdett, of the Gaiety Livery Stable, reported with carriages, and the delegates improved the opportunity to view the city.

EVENING.

Convention called to order by the president. Committee on Constitution recommended the adoption of the Constitution and By-Laws as adopted by the Conductors' Brotherhood at its organization at Mendota, Ill., with some slight alterations, which recommendation was adopted, and the following grand officers elected:

Grand Chief Conductor, A. R. Church, Allegheny City, Pa.
 Assistant Grand Chief Conductor, W. E. Griswold, Keokuk, Iowa.
 Grand Recording Secretary, Joseph Packard, Amboy, Ill.
 Grand Treasurer, John Miller, Harrisburg, Pa.
 Grand Guide, C. S. Moore, Martinsburg, West Va.
 Grand Sentinel, J. D. Alverson, Bryant, W. T.
 On motion the ritual presented by Joseph Packard was adopted.
 Adjourned until 9 o'clock A. M.

December 16, 1868.

MORNING.

Convention called to order by the president.

G. Z. Cruzen offered an amendment to the Constitution providing for a mutual benefit society. Adopted.

The following letters were read:

INDIANAPOLIS AND ST. LOUIS RAILROAD, }
 ST. LOUIS, MO., Nov. 26, 1868. }

N. O. CRARY, Esq.

Dear Sir: Your favor of the 22d inst., enclosing a call for a convention of conductors, is at hand. If the conductors of our road wish to send a delegate to Columbus, I will furnish him passes and allow him time while absent if not gone an unreasonable length of time. Yours truly,

J. D. HERKIMER, Gen. Supt.

UNION PACIFIC RAILROAD, BRIDGER DIVISION, }
 December 3, 1868. }

J. A. LADD, Esq.

Dear Sir: The doings of the conductors and the appointment of Mr. J. D. Alverson to the convention to be held at Columbus, Ohio, December 15th, as contained in your letter to me, is most praiseworthy and receives my most hearty approval and support, and my hope is that they may succeed in their commendable efforts to benefit the fraternity. I enclose passes and wish them God speed in their undertaking. Mr. Alverson has a furlough for the time required. Yours truly,

DAVID S. IVES, Division Supt.

NEW HAVEN, CONN., Dec. 12, 1868.

MESSRS. A. G. BLACK AND G. Z. CRUZEN.

In behalf of the committee appointed by the associate conductors of the New Haven, Hartford and Springfield Railroad, I must inform you of our inability to be represented by delegate at the proposed convention at Columbus on the 15th inst. At a meeting of conductors of this road a delegate was appointed and had made arrangements to attend, but the unusually early closing of the river has caused an increase of both passenger and freight business, which occupies the attention and necessitates the presence of employes at all hours of the day and all days of the week. So far as the proposed brotherhood is concerned, it has our deepest sympathy, and you may rely on our earnest co-operation in any and all arrangements which your organization may adopt. Hoping you will forward a report of your proceedings, I remain
Yours truly,

J. H. GOLDWAIT.

E. A. Danforth, of the Union Pacific Railway, having been detained on his way, appeared and presented his credentials and was duly admitted.

The following resolutions were read and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this convention be tendered the proprietors of the Goodale House for their care and attention during our stay.

Resolved, That the thanks of this convention be tendered the reporters of the *Statesman* and *Journal* for publishing our reports.

Resolved, That Mr. Harvey Burdett, for his kindness and attention during our stay, has our heartfelt thanks.

Resolved, That when we leave this convention and return to our homes, carrying with us the liveliest feelings of friendship and good will engendered during our fraternal meeting, we will use every honorable effort to increase the efficiency of this Brotherhood by increasing its membership and, consequently, its influence.

Resolved, That the members of this Brotherhood are opposed to any and all strikes, or combinations to produce strikes, and we will use our best efforts to prevent all such combinations or strikes, nor shall this Brotherhood be used as a means of procuring passes.

Resolved, That we return our sincere thanks to G. Z. Cruzen and A. G. Black for issuing the call which has resulted in the formation of this Brotherhood of Conductors.

On motion of N. O. Crary, the following was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Brotherhood be returned to Spivens, the local reporter of the *Statesman*, for his excellent report of the proceedings of this convention.

On motion, the convention adjourned *sine die*.

The Grand Division was then placed in the hands of Jos. Packard, who

proceeded to install the officers-elect and give instructions in the ritual of the Brotherhood in secret session.

At the close of the secret session the doors were opened, when the Grand Division selected Chicago as the place for the next meeting.

JOSEPH PACKARD, G. R. S.

[The following is a copy of the Constitution and Laws adopted at this session of the Grand Division, which, with various changes and amendments, was used until the adoption of the revised Constitution and Laws at Buffalo, in the year 1881.]

CONSTITUTION

OF THE

GRAND DIVISION OF THE CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. This organization shall be known under the name and title of the "GRAND DIVISION OF THE CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD," and its purposes shall be more effectually to combine the interests of railroad conductors; to elevate their standing as such, and characters as men.

SEC. 2. The annual organization of the Grand Division shall be effected in the following manner: There shall be an annual meeting of delegates, representing sub-divisions, who shall meet at such time and place as the Grand Division may designate.

SEC. 3. Each division composed of seven members shall be entitled to one representative, and one additional representative for each full fifteen members above that number.

SEC. 4. On the assembling of these delegates, and on being called to order by the Grand Chief Conductor, he shall appoint a Committee on Credentials. On the report of this committee being adopted, they shall proceed in the regular order of business as hereinafter provided.

ARTICLE II.

SEC. 1. The officers of the G. D. shall consist of a Grand Chief Conductor, Grand Assistant Chief Conductor, Grand Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Grand Guide, and Grand Sentinel; such officers shall be elected by ballot, and a majority vote. They shall be elected at the regular annual session of the G. D., and shall hold their respective offices for the term of one year, or until their successors shall be elected or appointed.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of the G. C. C. to perform the duties of presiding officer of the G. D., and he shall have the casting vote, in case of an equal vote of the division; grant and sign all charters and decide all controversies which may be appealed, after a careful examination of which, he shall make out and forward to the division appealing, his written decision on the case; such decision to be final and conclusive until the annual meeting of the G. D., when it may be submitted to the action of that body—a two-thirds vote shall be necessary to reverse such decision.

SEC. 3. The G. C. C. shall also have power, with the advice and consent of a majority of the officers of the G. D., to call a special meeting at any time during his official term; and it shall be his duty to visit subdivisions when necessary and possible for him to do so; and for his services he shall receive such compensation as may be determined by the G. D.

SEC. 4. The G. A. C. C. shall assist the G. C. C. in the discharge of his duties as the presiding officer at the annual meeting of the G. D., and during the temporary absence of the G. C. C., and shall discharge the duties of presiding officer, and in case of the death or resignation of the G. C. C., he shall discharge all the duties and assume all the responsibilities of the office, until the annual session of the G. D.

SEC. 5. The G. S. shall keep a true record of all the proceedings of the sessions of the G. D.; shall receive and forward to the G. C. C. all applications for charters; shall receive all sums paid to the G. S., and every month shall forward the same to the G. T., obtaining a receipt therefor; and he shall sign all charters granted to sub-divisions. He shall keep a correct list of sub-divisions, and names of their officers and their regular members. Should he receive notice of the expulsion of any member from any sub-division, he shall send a copy of such notice to every sub-division on his list, at least once a month, and on the expiration of his term of office, he shall deliver up to his successor in office all books and papers in his possession belonging to the G. D.; and shall receive such compensation for his services as may be determined by the G. D.

SEC. 6. The G. T. shall receive from the G. S. all money paid to the G. D.; keep a true record of the same, giving his receipt to the G. S.; disbursing no funds, except on a requisition from, and signed by the G. C. C. and the G. S.

SEC. 7. It shall be the duty of the G. G. to receive and conduct candidates; introduce visitors, and such other duties as the G. C. C. may direct.

SEC. 8. The G. S. shall prevent the ingress of improper persons into the meetings of the G. D., and not permit the exit of any member without the consent of the G. C. C.; and shall perform such other duties as may be required of him by the G. D.

SEC. 9. In case the offices of either the G. A. C. C., G. S., or G. T. should become vacant by the death or resignation of the incumbent, the vacancy shall be filled in the following manner: The G. C. C. shall nominate some member of the G. D., and submit the nomination to the two highest officers, and on concurrence of one or both of these officers, he shall

notify the member thus appointed; and on his acceptance he shall be furnished with all the books and papers belonging to the office, and have the authority to discharge the duties of said office for the remainder of the term.

ARTICLE III.

SEC. 1. The members of the G. D. shall continue as such, and be subject to a call from the G. C. C. to assemble at any time during the year intervening between the sessions of G. D.; but when the year has expired, their membership shall cease, and they shall not assemble with the G. D., unless they are again duly elected to represent the sub-division to which they belong.

SEC. 2. Sub-divisions, on electing a delegate to represent them at an annual or special session of the G. D., shall provide him with the necessary credentials as such delegate, and also with a list of the names of their members, accompanied by such moneys as may be due from the sub-division which he represents, together with a statement of the general condition of the division, signed by the C. C. and R. S.

SEC. 3. In case a special session of the G. D. should be called, any sub-division which may have been organized subsequent to the last session of the G. D., and is, at that time in good standing, shall be entitled to elect a delegate for every fifteen members, to represent them at such special session; and such delegate shall remain a member of the G. D. until the next annual session of that body.

ARTICLE IV.

SEC. 1. Seven conductors on any railroad, wishing to organize a sub-division, may sign an application for that purpose, inclosing ten dollars for charter and books, and send it to the C. C. of the nearest sub-division, who shall present the application to his sub-division, when the division shall vote on it; if the division votes in favor of the application the S. shall forward it to the G. S.; on receiving he shall fill out a charter, signed by himself and G. C. C., either of which shall have power to go or send some proper person to organize such sub-division; if the application should be rejected by the sub-division where the application is made, the ten dollars shall be refunded to the person or persons sending it.

SEC. 2. The C. C. of any sub-division, with the consent of the G. C. C. shall have power to appoint any member of his division that is properly qualified, to proceed to any point he may have an application from, either for the purpose of assisting in organizing a new sub-division, or giving instructions to divisions already formed.

SEC. 3. A charter shall not be surrendered as long as seven members shall sustain the sub-division.

SEC. 4. If a sub-division surrenders or forfeits its charter, or is suspended, the G. D. shall have the right to grant a clearance card to each of the members of said sub-division making written application for the same,

who may be deemed worthy by said G. D., and said card shall be of the same value as a withdrawal card.

ARTICLE V.

SEC. 1. The revenue of this body shall be derived from charter fees, cards, blanks, and such per capita assessment as may be necessary, which shall not in any case exceed ten cents per quarter, and shall be paid for each member of sub-division in good standing, for which division shall be accountable, and, unless paid, shall not be entitled to a representation in this body.

SEC. 2. The fee for charter and set of books shall be ten dollars, and new divisions shall pay the necessary expenses of the instituting officer.

SEC. 3. All sub-divisions shall make full returns at the end of each six months, conveying all the information required in the forms provided by this body, and a failure to make returns for one year shall work a forfeiture of charter.

ARTICLE VI. X

SEC. 1. For the purpose of creating a fund from which, in case of the death of any brother in good standing, pecuniary assistance shall be granted to the family of such deceased brother, there shall be established a Mutual Insurance Company, which shall be under the control of this Grand Division and shall have branches in such divisions as may desire. The amount of premium shall be \$1.00, to be paid at the death of each member by each member of this Brotherhood. From the fund thus created, there shall be paid to the family of each deceased brother the sum of \$——. The assessment to be made and collected by the Grand Division and forwarded to the secretary of the proper sub-division, who shall pay the same to the widow or heirs, and receive and forward receipt to Grand Secretary.

SEC. 2. Upon the permanent disability of any brother, it shall be the duty of the G. S. to notify sub-divisions; to assess and collect the same amount that they would upon the death of a brother, the same to be paid to the disabled brother, taking his receipt therefor, he ceasing to be a member thereafter, except as an *honorary* member.

SEC. 3. Upon the death or disability of a brother, it shall be the duty of the secretary of his sub-division to notify the G. S., who shall notify the sub-divisions of the same, who shall collect the stated amount in thirty days.

ARTICLE VII.

SEC. 1. This G. D. may at any regular session, adopt such by-laws, rules of order, or order of business, as may be found necessary.

SEC. 2. The regular session of this G. D. shall be on the second Wednesday in December in each year, and held as many days as may be necessary for the benefit of the G. D., but not to exceed four.

SEC. 3. This constitution may be altered or amended at any session, by a vote of three-fourths of the representatives present.

SEC. 4. All committees shall be appointed by the G. C. C., the term of such committee to expire at the expiration of the official term of the G. C. C.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Reading of the minutes of the last annual and special meetings.
2. The appointment of standing committees.
3. Report of the officers of the G. B.
4. Reading and referring resolutions, petitions, etc.
5. Reports of committees.
6. Financial business and collection of dues.
7. Unfinished business.
8. New business.

CONSTITUTION

TO GOVERN

SUBORDINATE DIVISIONS.

ARTICLE I.

SECTION 1. The officers of each sub-division shall consist of a Chief Conductor, Assistant Chief Conductor, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Guide, and Sentinel.

SEC. 2. Any member of the division in good standing shall be eligible to any of these offices.

ARTICLE II.

SEC. 1. The officers of sub-divisions shall be elected annually at the last meeting in November, and be installed and take their seats on the first meeting in December.

SEC. 2. If, on the first balloting, there shall not be a majority of all the votes taken in favor of one candidate for either of the above offices, then on the next balloting the members shall confine their choice to the three candidates having the greatest number of votes, and after the second ballot to the highest.

SEC. 3. It shall only require a majority vote of all the members present for the election of officers.

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the C. C. to perform the duties of the presiding officer of the division, and shall have the casting vote in case of an equal ballot of the division, and shall decide all controversies which may be appealed to him from any members of the division. He shall also have power, with the advice and consent of a majority of the officers of the division, to call a special session at any time during his official term.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the A. C. C. to assist the C. C. in the discharge of his duties as presiding officer, and during the temporary absence of the C. C., shall discharge the duties of presiding officer, and in case of death or resignation of the C. C., he shall discharge the duties and assume all the responsibilities of the C. C. until the regular election of the division.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the R. S. to keep a true record of all the proceedings of the division at their sessions. He shall also keep a correct list of the names of all the officers and members of the division, and if any member of the division is expelled, he shall notify the G. S. to that effect; and at the expiration of his term of office he shall deliver up all books and papers in his possession belonging to the division.

ARTICLE III.

SEC. 1. No conductor shall become a candidate as a member of the division until he has been proposed by two members of the division, who shall certify that he is a man of good moral character, and to the best of their belief he will be, if admitted, a valuable member of the division.

SEC. 2. All proposals for membership shall lay over till the next regular meeting, the C. C. appointing a committee of three members for investigation, who shall report in writing at the next regular meeting, unless granted further time by the division, when the candidate shall be balloted for with ball ballots, and if a majority of white balls and not more than three black balls appear, shall be declared elected; but if four or more black balls appear, shall be rejected, and so declared. In a case where there is not a majority of white balls, and less than four black balls, the brotherhood, on motion, may proceed to another ballot.

SEC. 3. The minimum amount to be paid for initiation fees and dues or assessments, shall be regulated by each division.

SEC. 4. The influence and sympathy of the brotherhood, as a body, shall never be enlisted or used in favor of any political or religious organization whatever, and no political or religious discussions shall ever be permitted at a regular meeting of the division.

SEC. 5. The division shall never become a weekly benefit association for the relief of sick or disabled members, except by the voluntary acts of its members.

SEC. 7. Should the division determine to assist a sick or disabled member, the necessary means shall be raised by an equal assessment upon all the members of the division.

ARTICLE IV.

SEC. 1. Every member of the division shall hold himself in duty bound to recognize any other member in good standing as a brother, and shall not traduce or slander his character, or willfully or maliciously injure him in any way whatever, on penalty of being suspended or expelled from the division.

SEC. 2. Should it come to the knowledge of any member of the division that a brother has conducted himself in a manner unbecoming a man, and calculated to bring disgrace upon the brotherhood, it shall be his duty to bring the matter before the division at a regular meeting, and he shall make the charges against such brother in writing.

SEC. 3. The G. C., on motion made and seconded, shall appoint a committee of three members of the division in good standing, who shall investigate the charges and report at the next regular meeting, and should the committee report that the charges have not been sustained by sufficient evidence, the matter shall not be considered a subject for discussion or debate, and the member against whom the charges have been brought shall be recognized as a brother in good standing.

SEC. 4. Should the committee report against the offending brother, he shall be furnished by the chairman of the committee with a copy of the charges against him, and notified to attend the next regular meeting for his trial, at which time the committee shall produce the evidence against him, and the division shall take immediate action in the matter. Should a motion be made and seconded to expel him, it shall require a two-third vote of all the members present to expel him from the division.

ARTICLE V.

SEC. 1. Any person who shall have been expelled from the division, shall not be eligible as a candidate for readmission in a less time than three months, after the expiration of which time he may be proposed and admitted in the regular form.

SEC. 2. Any person who shall have been twice expelled from the division shall not be eligible as a candidate for readmission in a less time than one year, when it shall require the unanimous vote of all the members present to re-elect him.

SEC. 3. Any person who shall have been expelled from the division the third time, shall never again become a member of the division.

SEC. 4. Any member of the division who shall conduct himself towards any other member or members of the division in an unbecoming manner, such as refusing to recognize them, entering into violent and unnecessary contentions, or striking a brother, except in self-defense, shall be subject to the following penalties: 1st, expulsion; 2d, suspension for a specified time; 3d, reprimand; 4th, censure. The ballot shall be cast for the severest penalty first, and so on down, until the penalty is fixed on the offending brother.

SEC. 5. Should charges be preferred against a brother for drunkenness, the C. C. shall appoint a committee of three members of the division, who

shall investigate the matter at once ; and should the brother be found guilty, he shall be expelled by a majority of the members present, and the Secretary shall inform the officers of the road upon which the offending brother is employed of his expulsion and the cause thereof.

SEC. 6. Any brother failing or refusing to pay his dues or assessments for the space of thirty days, shall be expelled from the division of which he is a member, except excused by the division.

ARTICLE VI.

SEC. 1. The name of any person applying for membership by deposit of card, shall be subject to the same proposition, investigation and ballot as a new applicant.

ARTICLE VII.

SEC. 1. Any member wishing to withdraw entirely from the Order shall make application by writing, in open division, which shall be read by the R. S., and laid over one meeting before action is taken. when if no charge is preferred, and if the account is paid up to the end of the current term in which the application for withdrawal is made, the C. C. shall, upon a second reading, declare the application granted, and the R. S. shall enter it on record and erase the name from the constitution. If charges are preferred, they shall be first disposed of ; and if the account is in arrears, the dismission can only be granted by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

SEC. 2. Any member wishing to withdraw by card, shall first pay all accounts to the end of the quarter and make application in open division, either in person or in writing, when, on paying such fee for the same as the division may direct, if no charge is pending or notice given that one is to be preferred, it may be granted by a majority vote ; but if charges are pending, it cannot be granted until they are disposed of.

SEC. 3. Any member in good standing wishing a visiting card, shall be entitled thereto without vote, by payment of dues in advance for the time applied for, and such fee as is required by the By-Laws, unless notice is given that charges are to be preferred, in which case no action shall be taken until the charges are disposed of.

SEC. 4. All divisions shall use an appropriate seal within six months after organization.

ARTICLE VIII.

SEC. 1. This division may adopt such by-laws and rules as may be deemed advisable, which do not conflict with this Constitution or the Constitution and Laws of the Grand Division.

SEC. 2. This Constitution shall be altered or amended only by the Grand Division, at a regular session, and by a vote of two-thirds present, and the proposed alterations shall be entered on the record.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

SEC. 1. It shall be the duty of the C. C. to preside at all the meetings of the division ; to preserve decorum ; to decide all questions of order, subject, however, to an appeal to the division ; appoint all committees consisting of not more than three persons, and enforce the Constitution and By-Laws. He shall also have the casting vote, in case of an equal vote of the division.

SEC. 2. He may speak to points of order in preference to other members of the division, rising from his seat for that purpose, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the division by any two members. On such an appeal no brother shall speak more than once.

SEC. 3. When an appeal is made from the decision of the C. C., he shall put the question thus : " Shall the decision of the chair be sustained ? "

SEC. 4. It shall be the duty of the C. C., and the privilege of any member of the division, to call a member to order who violates any established rule of order.

SEC. 5. It shall be the duty of the A. C. C. to assist the C. C. in the duties of his office, and in the absence of the C. C. he shall perform all the duties of the office ; and should the A. C. C. also be absent, the senior P. C. C. present shall preside as C. C. *pro tem*.

SEC. 6. It shall be the duty of the R. S. to keep a true record of all the meetings of the division ; issue notice for all special meetings ; notify candidates of their election within one week after such election shall have taken place, and shall make out withdrawal cards. In case any member is expelled from the division he shall notify the G. S., stating name and age of the expelled member, and for what cause he was expelled. At all regular meetings of the division he shall read a report of the proceedings of the previous meeting, and at the end of his term he shall present to the division a semi-annual report, which shall embrace the number of persons initiated, admitted by card, withdrawals, expulsions, the number of deaths, together with the whole number of members in good standing, the amount of money collected and paid out, the per capita tax due G. D., and send it to the G. S., and at the expiration of his official term, shall deliver up to his successor all books and papers belonging to his office.

SEC. 7. The F. S. shall collect the initiation fee from candidates previous to their initiation, and pay over the same to the T. on the same evening. In each weekly report of the receipts, he shall include all moneys received since the making of the preceding one, and in making his report at the end of each term, he shall insert the names of all members in arrears, with the amount due from each. He shall have his books written up, and

report ready for the Committee on Finance, twenty-four hours before the time of the first regular meeting in each term.

SEC. 8. The T. shall receive from the F. S. all moneys paid to the division, giving his receipt therefor ; shall keep a true account of the same ; disbursing none of the funds in his possession, except on a written order signed by the C. C. and R. S., and at the expiration of his term of office shall present a true and accurate statement of his accounts, and deliver to his successor in office all books and papers in his possession belonging to the division.

SEC. 9. It shall be the duty of the Guide to receive and conduct candidates, and perform such other duties as the C. C. may direct.

SEC. 10. It shall be the duty of the Sentinel to attend to the door of the division room and be sure that no one enter the division room without the proper pass-word, and prohibit the exit of any member previous to adjournment without the sanction of the C. C.

ARTICLE II.

SEC. 1. The C. C. shall appoint three members of the division to act as tellers at every election of officers of the division, who, with the G., shall canvass the votes, and declare the result to the C. C., by whom it shall be announced to the division.

ARTICLE III.

SEC. 1. Candidates who do not come forward within two regular meetings after being elected, unless sickness or unavoidable absence prevents, shall forfeit their initiation fee, and shall not be admitted unless proposed and balloted for again.

SEC. 2. In case any applicant is rejected, his initiation fee shall be refunded.

ARTICLE IV.

SEC. 1. Every person initiated into this division, shall pay an initiation fee of — dollars.

SEC. 2. Brothers admitted to membership in this division, by deposit of card, shall pay such sums as the dues of a member of this division would be from the date of the card to the time of its deposit.

SEC. 3. Every member of this division shall pay into the fund thereof — cents per week, to be paid on or before the first meeting in the term, for the whole term.

ARTICLE V.

SEC. 1. Any officer of the division may at any time resign the duties of his office by presenting a written resignation, which shall be read at a regular meeting of the division by the R. S. —

SEC. 2. Should any office be left vacant by resignation or death, such vacancy shall be filled by the election of some member for the remainder of the term.

ARTICLE VI.

SEC. 1. The regular meetings of the division shall take place not less than twice each month, and on any day which the division may determine.

SEC. 2. A withdrawal card shall state name and age of any member withdrawing, also when admitted a member of the division, and whether admitted by card or otherwise.

SEC. 3. A withdrawal card shall not exempt a member from the payment of any dues which he may have been subject to as a member of any division, until such time as he shall have joined some other division.

SEC. 4. On a member obtaining a withdrawal card, and locating elsewhere, should there be a division of the Brotherhood in his vicinity, he shall deposit his card with such division within one month, and should there be no division of the Brotherhood on the railroad where he locates, he shall consider himself in duty bound to use every effort to establish one.

SEC. 5. When a brother has deposited his card, and expressed a wish to become a member for any division, he shall be balloted for, and a majority of votes present shall elect him to full membership, without being subject to initiation fees. And it shall be the duty of the R. S. to notify the division granting the card, that said card has been deposited and the brother accepted as a member of such division.

ARTICLE VII.

SEC. 1. There shall be a traveling card for the use and benefit of members in good standing, which card may be granted by the C. C. and R. S.; such card shall not be granted for the space of more than six months; the brother obtaining such card shall return the same at expiration of that time, or give satisfactory reasons for not producing the same, before he can obtain another card, and all traveling cards shall be endorsed on the back by the C. C. and R. S., stating the number of years the brother has run a train.

SEC. 2. Any member of the Brotherhood who engages in any other business not connected with railroads, may be exonerated from payment of all dues and assessments, and become an honorary member of his division by a majority vote of all the members present; but should he hereafter take any position connected with any railroad, he shall then again become an active member of such division.

ARTICLE VIII.

SEC. 1. No assessments shall be made without a two-third vote of all the members present.

SEC. 2. All bills against sub-divisions shall be acted upon by the division, and on such bills being ordered paid by a majority of the members present. All orders must be signed by the C. C. and the R. S., when the T. shall pay such bills, taking the receipt of the parties to whom they are paid.

ARTICLE IX.

SEC. 1. No part of these By-Laws shall be repealed, annulled, altered, or suspended, unless a proposal in writing specifying the intended alteration, be presented to the division, at least two regular meetings previous to the discussion, when, if two-thirds of the members present vote in favor of the motion, it shall be adopted.

RULES OF ORDER.

SEC. 1. When the presiding officer takes the chair, the officers and members shall take their seats, and at the sound of the gavel there shall be a general silence, after which the division shall proceed according to the following

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening the division.
2. Reading, correction, and approval of the minutes of the previous meeting.
3. Previous proposals for membership considered ; reports of Investigating Committee ; balloting for candidates.
4. Initiation of candidates elected.
5. Are any of the brothers sick, or in need of our aid and sympathy?
6. Has any brother a friend to propose as a proper person to become a member of this division? (*Propositions referred.*)
7. Communications attended to.
8. Settlement of accounts with F. S.
9. Report of Standing Committee.
10. Report of Special Committee.
11. Report of officers ; 1st, R. S. ; 2d, F. S. ; 3d, T.
12. Deferred and unfinished business, nominations, elections, installations.
13. New business, bills referred, cards granted, resignations, motions, etc., etc.
14. Has any brother remarks to offer for the good of the Order?
15. Closing division.

MOTIONS.

A motion must be seconded and afterwards reported from the chair, or read aloud, before it is debated. A motion shall be reduced to writing, if any brother require it.

Any brother having made a motion may withdraw it, with leave of his

second before it is debated, but not afterwards, without the leave of the division.

A motion to amend an amendment shall be in order, but to amend an amendment to an amendment shall not be entertained.

An amendment to "strike out and insert," the paragraph to be amended shall first be read as it stands, then the words proposed to be struck out, and those to be inserted, and finally the paragraph as it would read if so amended.

On a call for a division, the majority shall decide. The case can only be granted when the division called for shall leave distinct and entire propositions.

DEBATE.

When a member speaks or offers a motion, he shall rise in his place, and respectfully address the C. C., confine himself to the question under consideration, and avoid personality or unbecoming language.

When a member is called to order, he shall take his seat until the point is determined.

When two or more members rise to speak at the same time, the presiding officer shall decide who is entitled to the floor.

No member shall speak more than twice, nor longer than ten minutes each time, on any question, without leave of the division, which shall be granted or refused without debate.

While a brother is speaking, no one shall interrupt him, except for the purpose of calling him to order, or asking of the presiding officer leave to explain, or to call the previous question. A brother allowed to "explain," shall only have the right to explain an actual misunderstanding of language, and shall be strictly prohibited from going into debate on the merits of the case.

For any brother, in speaking, to impeach the motives of a fellow member, or treat him with personal disrespect, or pass between him and the chair while he is speaking, shall be deemed a violation of order, which may incur the censure of the presiding officer of the division.

If any brother shall feel himself personally aggrieved by a decision of the chair, he may appeal from the decision.

Any conversation, by whispering or otherwise, which is calculated to disturb a brother while speaking, or hinder the transaction of business, shall be deemed a violation of order.

PRIVILEGED QUESTIONS.

When a question is before the division, the only motions in order shall be: First, to adjourn; second, the previous question; third, to lay on the table; fourth, to postpone indefinitely; fifth, to postpone to a definite period; sixth to defer; seventh, to divide, if the sense will admit of it; or eighth, to amend—to take precedence as herein arranged, and the three first to be decided without debate.

When the previous question is moved and seconded, it shall be put in

this form : "Shall the main question be now put ?" If this is carried, all further motions, amendments and debate shall be excluded, and the question put without delay. If the question has been amended, the question on the amendment shall be put first. If more than one amendment has been made, the last amendment in order shall take precedence in the vote. It shall not be in order to reconsider the agreement to take the "previous question."

When a motion is postponed indefinitely, it shall not come up during the session.

ADJOURNMENT.

A motion to adjourn shall always be in order except : First, when a member is in possession of the floor ; second, when the yeas and nays are being called ; third, when the members are voting ; fourth, when adjournment was the last preceding motion ; or, fifth, when it has been decided that the previous question be taken.

A motion to adjourn simply cannot be amended ; but a motion to adjourn to a given time may be and is open to debate.

QUESTIONS NOT DEBATABLE.

First, a motion to adjourn, when to adjourn simply ; second, a motion to lay on the table, when claiming precedence over another motion ; third, a motion for the previous question ; fourth, a motion to reconsider ; fifth, a motion to read a paper.

READING OF PAPERS.

The reading of any paper called for, relating to the subject under debate, shall always be in order.

TAKING THE VOTE.

When the presiding officer has commenced taking a vote, no further debate or remark shall be admitted, unless a mistake has been made, in which case the mistake shall be rectified, and the presiding officer shall recommence taking the vote.

When the decision of any question is doubted, the presiding officer shall direct the F. S. to count the votes in the affirmative and negative, and report the same to him.

The yeas and nays upon any question before the division may be called for by any two members, and upon the assent of two-thirds of the members present shall be so taken. They may be called for at any time before a peremptory decision of the vote by the chair.

RECONSIDERATION AND REPEAL.

A question may be reconsidered at any time during the session, or at the first regular session held thereafter, but a motion for reconsideration being once made and decided in the negative, shall not be renewed before the next regular session.

A motion to reconsider must be made and seconded by members who voted in the majority, except in the case of a rejection of a candidate, when it shall be competent for any member to move and second a reconsideration. No question shall be reconsidered more than once, nor shall a vote to reconsider be reconsidered. To reconsider any resolutions, etc., the decision of which has officially passed out of the division, shall not be in order.

A motion to repeal or rescind a resolution shall be made in writing, and announced at the regular session one week before action shall be taken on the same, and shall only be in order when the motion to reconsider is no longer available.

COMMITTEES AND THEIR REPORTS.

The brother first named in a committee shall be chairman of the same, and shall call the committee together at such time and place as he may elect; but when thus convened, any committee can elect its own chairman and secretary.

All reports of committees, except of reports of progress, shall be made in writing, and signed by a majority.

When a majority report is followed by a report from the minority of a committee, the former, after being read, shall lie upon the table until the latter is presented; afterward, on motion, either may be considered.

When a report is read, it shall be considered as properly before the division, without a motion to accept.

It shall be in order for any brother to move a reconsideration of a vote, that has resulted in the election of a candidate, at any time previous to his being brought forward for initiation.

All the proceedings of sub-divisions, not provided for in the above rules, shall be governed according to established parliamentary usages.

FORM OF PROPOSITION.

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Division, No. _____ C. B.

We propose _____ as a proper person for membership in this division. His age is _____ years. Residence, _____

Refers to _____

Signed { _____

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GRAND DIVISION

OF THE

CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD

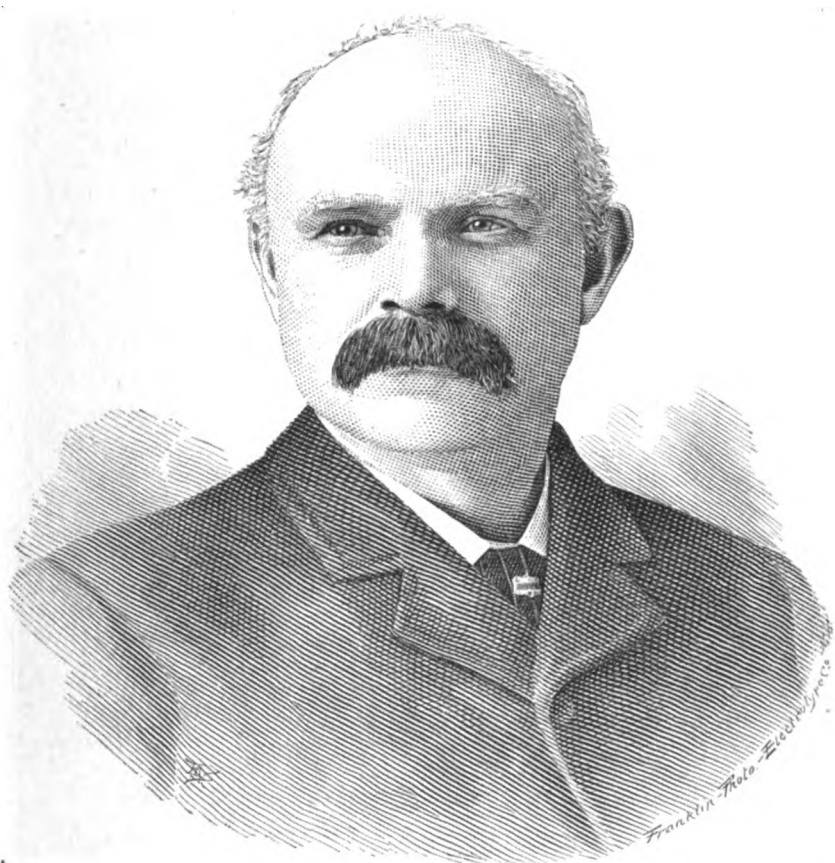
AT THE

FIRST REGULAR SESSION,

HELD IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, ILL.

TUESDAY, JUNE 15, A. D. 1869.

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JOHN NORTON ROBINSON.

Executive Committee.

PROCEEDINGS.

METROPOLITAN HOTEL,
CHICAGO, ILL., June 15, 1869. }

MORNING.

The Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order at 10 o'clock A. M. by Jos. Packard, Grand Recording Secretary, with the following officers present:

George C. Newton, G. C. C., pro tem.
G. Z. Cruzen, Ass't G. C. C., pro tem.
Joseph Packard, G. R. S.
E. Brown, Grand Treasurer, pro tem.
C. S. Moore, Grand Guide.
Wm. Atkins, Grand Sentinel, pro tem.

The Grand Chief Conductor thereupon appointed the following named brothers as a committee on credentials: Jos. Packard, C. H. Mackin and G. C. Sourbeck.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following named delegates present and entitled to seats in the Grand Division:

Amboy Div., 1, Jos. Packard.
Centralia Div., 4, G. C. Newton.
Hornellsville Div., 5, E. Brown.
Berkley Div., 6, C. S. Moore.
Grafton Div., 7, C. H. Mackin.
Crestline Div., 8, A. G. Black and G. Z. Cruzen.
Allegheny Div., 11, W. H. Atkins and G. W. Sourbeck.
On motion, the report of the committee was adopted as read.
The Grand Division was then opened in due form by G. C. Newton.

On motion, all members of the Order in good standing were admitted as visitors during the session.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned until 2 P. M.

CHICAGO, ILL., June 15, 1869.

AFTERNOON.

The Grand Division, pursuant to adjournment, was called to order at 2 P. M.

The following brothers were appointed a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws: E. Brown, G. Z. Cruzen and G. C. Sourbeck.

Mr. Walters, representing the Conductors' Association of the New York and Erie Railway, requested admission to the Grand Division.

On motion, Brothers Sourbeck and Mackin were appointed as a committee to wait upon Mr. Walters and learn his business with the Grand Division.

The committee reported that Mr. Walters wanted to agree on some plan to consolidate the Conductors' Association of the New York and Erie Railway with the Conductors' Brotherhood, and that he also wished to become a member of the Conductors' Brotherhood.

On motion, the following preamble and resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, Mr. Walters, representing the Conductors' Association of the New York and Erie Railway, wishes to become a member of the Conductors' Brotherhood; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Grand Division admit Mr. R. E. Walters to membership by initiation.

Mr. Walters was then regularly initiated.

G. Z. Cruzen offered an amendment to Section 6 of Article 5 requiring the Grand Treasurer to give a good and sufficient bond in the sum of \$1,000.

Brother Cruzen offered the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Grand Division adopt a badge of mourning, to be worn ten days after the receipt of notice of the death of any member of this Brotherhood. Resolution adopted.

Resolved, That this Grand Division establish an emblem pin bearing the initials C. B. and an inscription or the initials of our motto. Resolution adopted.

Resolved, That the Grand Chief Conductor and Grand Recording Secretary be elected from one and the same subordinate division. Resolution lost.

Joseph Packard offered the following:

Resolved, That no brother be allowed to remain a member of any division who may engage in the occupation of selling intoxicating drink, and that any division shall have the power to suspend or expel any brother for that offense. Resolution lost.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned until 8 A. M.

June 17, 1869.

MORNING.

The Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order at 8 A. M.

Brother Cruzen offered the following:

Resolved, That this Grand Division adopt a regalia for the officers of the grand and subordinate divisions, and also one for the members of the same. Resolution laid on the table.

The following was offered by Brother Cruzen as a substitute for Article 6 of the Constitution:

X Section 1. For the purpose of creating a fund for the families of deceased or disabled brothers of the Conductors' Brotherhood, there shall be a mutual plan of insurance established to be under the control of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood, and shall extend to and include all subsequent subordinate divisions and members thereof, and all subordinate divisions organized prior to June 16, 1889, who may adopt the same, except as hereinafter provided in relation to honorary members.

Section 2. The amount of premium to be assessed upon the permanent disability or death of any member shall be \$1 per capita. Any failure on the part of any subordinate division or divisions to comply with the provisions of this article shall forfeit their charter; and any brother or brothers thereof, who may fail to comply with the same after due notice and the lapse of twenty days, shall be expelled from his or their division.

Section 3. In case of the death or permanent disability of any member of the Brotherhood of Conductors in good standing, it shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary of his division to notify the Grand Recording Secretary of the fact, stating the name, age, extent and cause of the injury, as well as the name and number of the division of which he is a member. The Grand Recording Secretary, after receiving such notice, shall notify all the subordinate divisions at once of the same. They shall collect the aforesaid amount within the specified time, and transmit \$1 for each member of the subordinate division to the chairman of the Executive Committee of the subordinate division of which the brother is a member, taking a receipt therefor and sending a duplicate to the Grand Recording Secretary. The Executive Committee of the subordinate division shall act as special agents of the deceased or disabled members or their heirs. They shall see to appointing permanent guardians for minor heirs, and also to depositing the money in a place of safety for their exclusive benefit. In case the deceased member leaves no heirs, the residue, after burial expenses, doctor's bills and attendance have been paid, shall revert to the Grand Division, to be held in trust as a sinking fund.

Section 4. All moneys must be sent in draft made payable to the disabled brother or his heirs.

Section 5. Any brother receiving the amount for permanent disability shall cease to be an active member of the Conductors' Brotherhood, but shall be retained as an honorary member as long as he shall prove himself worthy.

The following was adopted as Section 7, Article 2, of the Constitution for subordinate divisions:

Section 7. It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to receive the moneys coming to the subordinate divisions and transmit the same to the proper person or persons, as provided for in the Constitution of the Grand Division, taking a receipt therefor, and sending a duplicate to the Grand Recording Secretary, and also to the Executive Committee of each division.

On motion, the Division adjourned until 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

The Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order at 2 P. M.

The following was adopted as an amendment to Section 1, Article 1, of the Constitution of subordinate divisions:

"And an Executive Committee of three."

The following was adopted as an amendment to Section 5 of Article 2 of the Constitution of the Grand Division:

"Shall also make a quarterly report of the returns of the Executive Committee, which shall be published in the Journal of the proceedings of the Grand Division, and a copy of the same sent to all subordinate divisions."

On motion, the business of R. E. Walters was brought before the Grand Division to be discussed, and on motion was laid on the table indefinitely.

A bill was presented by Brothers Cruzen and Black for printing memorials, postage for sending the same, and for calling the convention for organization of the Brotherhood of Conductors. The bill was ordered paid.

On motion, Brothers Cruzen and Black were appointed as a committee to make arrangements about starting a journal in the interests of the Conductors' Brotherhood.

On motion, Grand Division adjourned until 8 P. M.

EVENING.

The Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order at 8 P. M.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the delegates of the Conductors' Brotherhood tender their sincere thanks to the proprietors and clerks of the Metropolitan Hotel, Chicago, Ill., for their hospitality and gentlemanly courtesy to us during our stay there, they sparing no pains in furnishing all the necessary comforts.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to Messrs. Clark, Feney, Bailey, Frank and Eastham, conductors on the C. C. & I. C. Railway, for their courtesy in showing us the city and their kindness during our stay.

Resolved, That these resolutions be published with the proceedings of this Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood.

The place of annual meeting to be chosen hereafter.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned.

JOS. PACKARD, G. R. S.

NOTE. -The record does not say whether the substitute of Brother Cruzen for Article 6 of the Constitution was adopted or not, but as it is not printed in any subsequent edition of the Constitution, it was probably lost.

At the second regular session of the Grand Division there seem to have been no officers elected, and presumably those elected at Columbus held over until the election at Philadelphia.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD
AT THE
SECOND REGULAR SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF BUFFALO, N. Y.

OCTOBER, 1869.

(37)



ALFRED G. BLACK.

Grand Chief Conductor.

Died August 23, 1870.

"Death's but a path that must be trod,
If man would ever pass to God."

PROCEEDINGS.

BUFFALO, N. Y., October, 1869.

MORNING.

Pursuant to the call of the Grand Chief Conductor, the Grand Division met at the Tift House and was called to order by Joseph Packard, Grand Recording Secretary, with the following officers present :

A. G. Black, G. C. C., pro tem.
W. G. Kinney, Asst. G. C. C., pro tem.
Joseph Packard, G. R. S.
H. H. Elliott, Grand Treasurer pro tem.
C. S. Moore, Grand Guide.
G. S. Sage, Grand Sentinel, pro tem.

The G. C. C. appointed the following Brothers as a Committee on Credentials : Joseph Packard, C. H. Mackin and R. W. Chaple.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following delegates present and entitled to seats in the Grand Division :

Amboy Div., 1, Joseph Packard and G. B. Sage.
Centralia Div., 4, N. K. Wager.
Berkley Div., 6, C. S. Moore.
Grafton Div., 7, C. H. Mackin.
Crestline Div., 8, A. G. Black.
Chambersburg Div., 11, H. H. Elliott.
Springfield Div., 14, R. W. Chaple.
Monumental Div., 15, W. J. Kinney.

On motion, the report of the Committee was adopted and the Grand Division opened in due form by A. G. Black as G. C. C.

The minutes of the previous meetings were read and approved.

The Grand Chief Conductor then delivered his annual address as follows

BROTHERS : In accordance with the provisions of our Constitution, we have here assembled as a Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood. The object of the meeting is to revise the old rules and regulations and to make such new laws as may be for the welfare and prosperity of the Order. In entering upon our duties, we assume great responsibilities ; the reputation and perhaps the very existence of this organization depends in a great degree upon the action of this Grand Division.

With this feeling, and a great anxiety on my part, I desire to say something to you that will encourage you and all the brothers throughout the country to persevere in the right until our character and standing in society shall be acknowledged as worthy the high position at which we aim, and we shall have secured the confidence and approval of all railway officers who are willing to give the conductors credit in proportion as their ability and character may merit approval.

You have here met to make laws to govern our actions as a society, and in doing this you must act honestly, with the belief that whatever you here enact will be approved by all honest men. We seek nothing but justice, and are trying to improve our abilities as conductors and our characters as men that all must unite in saying that in view of the responsible positions of railway conductors, no class should be more careful to conduct themselves so as to merit the fullest confidence of their employers and those who entrust their lives and their property to their care.

To attain this standard is the object of our labors; it is the result sought to be accomplished by this convention.

To my mind, the results we hope to reach can be obtained by judicious legislation, and the same will be rendered easy if our constituents will join heart and hand with us and act honestly, with a full determination to merit all they demand.

The progress made since the first organization of our Order is gratifying in many respects, and I have no doubt you will receive satisfactory reports from all those who have been entrusted with your business.

There have been fifteen charters granted; Galesburg Division 2 and Aurora Division 3 are not in working order on account of the following order, which was issued by the General Superintendent of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad:

CHICAGO, Ill., Oct. 20th, 1868.

I am satisfied that all the influence of the Conductors' Union is hurtful and unless conductors employed on this road give up the Association, we will employ others in their places who will be satisfied to rely for success and prosperity wholly upon their individual determination to square their conduct by what is true and right and the regulations of the road.

(Signed,)

ROBERT HARRIS.

A few words in the way of comment: 1st. He states that he is satisfied that the organization is hurtful, but does not state in what manner it is or can be hurtful. 2nd. He will employ others who will be satisfied to rely upon their own individual notions. The meaning of his words is literally that men who work for him cannot meet for mutual benefit and advancement, but each one must stand or fall upon his own merits, without advice or aid from any one. But leaving him, the only enemy we have, I pass on.

A charter has been granted Div. 10, at Keokuk, but for reasons not known to me it has not been organized.

The other twelve are in a prosperous condition, except Div. 9, which has surrendered her charter on account of not having enough members to support it.

In regard to the several subordinate divisions, it has been a source of regret to me that I have not been able to do more for their interests than I have done, but I think all those who know how my time has been occupied will not require an apology from me.

I am very much gratified at the efforts made by the members of our subordinate divisions for the cause. All will admit the necessity of having strictly temperate men to run trains. The estimation in which our society is held is governed to a great extent by the influence and conduct of our members. The public can not be expected to know the circumstances attending each individual case but make their judgment from general observation. To insure their respect and countenance, we must guard well the honor and conduct of all our members.

Perhaps all will not agree with me, yet I assert that our corner-stone is temperance; it is the most beautiful ornament in the character of any man. In our organization it is a necessity. We cannot succeed or make any advancement as a society until we are temperate and the nearer we come to total abstinence from all that can intoxicate, the fewer expulsions we will have and the sooner we shall be recognized as men in every way worthy of the responsible positions we occupy.

There are other topics in this connection that I would like to call your attention to, but the want of time forbids.

In conclusion, however, I would call attention to the project of starting a paper or journal to advocate our cause and in which we can compare thoughts and become better acquainted with one another and for our mutual improvement.

At the close of the address a committee, consisting of Bros. Wager and Sage, were appointed to examine the accounts of the Grand Recording Secretary.

Bro. Packard was instructed to have bills printed inviting all railroad conductors to visit the Grand Lodge in open body.

Adjourned until 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

The Grand Division, pursuant to adjournment, met and was called to order at 2 P. M.

On motion, a committee, consisting of Bros. Kinney and Moore, were appointed to prepare a regalia for the officers of the Grand and the Subordinate Divisions and to report at the next session.

On motion, Brother Black was added to the committee.

On motion, Bros. Chaple and Elliott were appointed as a committee to revise the traveling and withdrawal cards and report at the next session.

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On motion, and after a lengthy discussion, Article 6 of the Constitution was repealed by a unanimous vote.

Grand Division adjourned until 9 A. M.

Thursday, October, 1869.

MORNING.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order at 9 A. M.

The committee appointed to examine the accounts of the Grand Recording Secretary reported that they found the books all right. Report of committee was accepted and committee discharged.

Bros. Wager and Mackin were appointed as a Committee on Work.

Bro. Black offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Grand Division seal be altered so as to read : " Re-organized at Columbus, Ohio, December 15th, 1869."

Resolution was adopted.

The Committee on the Revision of the Traveling and Withdrawal Cards reported they had adopted a form.

Report of committee was adopted.

A report from the Committee on Work in reference to the subordinate divisions was lost.

Adjourned until 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order at 2 P. M.

On motion, the Grand Division proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted as follows :

A. G. Black, G. C. C.

C. S. Moore, Ass't G. C. C.

Joseph Packard, G. R. S.

G. B. Sage, Grand Treasurer.

N. K. Wager, Grand Guide.

W. J. Kinney, Grand Sentinel.

The following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That this Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood tender our sincere thanks to the officers of the different railroads for furnishing transportation to and from Buffalo to attend this meeting.

Resolved, That the delegates of this Grand Division tender our thanks to the proprietors and clerks of the Tift House, in Buffalo, N. Y., for their gentlemanly courtesy to us during our stay.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the conductors of the different roads leading into Buffalo for their courtesy in visiting us during our stay in the city.

Resolved, That we leave this Grand Division and return to our homes, carrying with us the liveliest feeling and good will engendered during our fraternal meeting; and that we will use every honorable effort to increase the efficiency of this Brotherhood by extending its proportions and consequent influence.

Resolved, That as a body of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood, we tender our thanks to *The Buffalo Courier* for sending a reporter and reporting our proceedings.

On motion, the convention adjourned to meet in Philadelphia, Pa., in October, 1870.

JOSEPH PACKARD, G. R. S.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD
AT THE
THIRD REGULAR SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA,
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 1870.

(45)



EDMUND BURDETTE COMAN.

Assistant Grand Chief Conductor.

PROCEEDINGS.

PHILADELPHIA, PA., October 6, 1870.

MORNING.

The Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood convened at the St. Lawrence Hotel, on Thursday, October 6th, 1870, and was called to order by C. S. Moore, G. C. C., with the following officers present :

C. S. Moore, G. C. C.
Oliver Perin, Ass't G. C. C., pro tem.
Joseph Packard, G. R. S.
G. B. Sage, Grand Treasurer.
G. W. Thompson, Grand Guide, pro tem.
John Watson, Grand Sentinel, pro tem.

The G. C. C. appointed the following named brothers as a Committee on Credentials : Jos. Packard, C. P. Brown and John Watson.

The Committee on Credentials reported the following named brothers entitled to seats in the Grand Division :

Amboy Div., 1, J. Packard, G. B. Sage and J. W. Seymour.
Martinsburg Div., 6, J. W. Thompson and C. S. Moore.
Springfield Div., 14, R. W. Chapel.
Monumental Div., 15, C. P. Brown and Oliver Perin.
Brookfield Div., 17, John Watson.

On motion, the report of the committee was adopted, after which the Grand Division was opened in form.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned until 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order at 2 P. M.

The Grand Recording Secretary made his report of receipts and expenditures, as follows :

Whole amount of receipts.....	\$110 83
Whole amount of expenditures.....	77 00
Leaving balance in the treasury of.....	\$ 33 83

A committee consisting of Bros. Brown and Chapel were appointed to examine the accounts of the G. R. S.

The committee reported the accounts to be correct; report adopted.

On motion, the Grand Division went into a committee of the whole to revise the Constitution and By-Laws.

Article 5, Section 3 of the Constitution was amended to read, "All subordinate divisions shall make returns at the end of the year, conveying all information required in the forms provided in this body, and a failure to make returns shall mark a forfeiture of charter."

Article 6, Section 2 reads as follows: "The regular session of this Grand Division shall be held on the first Wednesday in November of each year, and held as many days as may be necessary for the benefit of the Grand Division, but not to exceed four."

Article 2, Section 1, of the Constitution governing subordinate divisions, reads as follows: "The officers of subordinate divisions shall be elected annually at the last meeting in October, and be installed and take their seats at the first meeting in November."

On motion of J. Packard, C. P. Brown and John Watson were appointed a committee to draft a plan of insurance to be under the control of the Grand Division.

On motion the Grand Division adjourned until 9.30 A. M.

October 7, 1870.

MORNING.

Grand Division convened pursuant to adjournment and was called to order at 9.30 A. M.

The committee appointed to draft a plan of insurance reported as follows:

SEC. 1. For the purpose of creating a fund for the relief of the families of deceased or disabled brothers of the Conductors' Brotherhood, there shall be a mutual plan of insurance established by and shall be under control of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of each subordinate division to keep a book for the purpose of entering the names of all members of the division that may wish to insure.

SEC. 3. All members of the Conductors' Brotherhood in good standing in their respective divisions, that wish to insure, will make application in open division, and deposit one dollar and twenty-five cents (\$1.25) with the Secretary. The Secretary, on receipt of \$1.25, will send it with the name of the applicant, to the Grand Recording Secretary, who, on receipt of the money, will grant a certificate of membership for said applicant and send it to the Recording Secretary making application.

SEC. 4. The Grand Recording Secretary shall keep all moneys paid for insurance separate and apart from the funds of the Grand Division.

SEC. 5. When a member of any subordinate division that is insured dies or is disabled, the Recording Secretary shall notify the G. R. S. The G. R. S. on receipt of the notice will pay one dollar for each member insured in the Grand Division, and forward the same to the lawful heirs of the deceased, or to the brother, if he be disabled, taking his or their receipt for the same.

SEC. 6. The amount of premium to be assessed on the death or permanent disability of any brother shall be one dollar, and failure on the part of any brother to pay his assessments for the space of thirty days, he shall cease to be a member.

SEC. 7. The Grand Recording Secretary on receiving notice of the death or permanent disability of any member, shall notify the Recording Secretary of all subordinate divisions where there are members insured, who will collect one dollar from each member so insured and forward the amount to the G. R. S.

SEC. 8. Any person receiving the amount for permanent disability shall cease to be a member of the insurance, and his name shall be stricken from the rolls.

SEC. 9. What shall constitute a total disability, shall be the loss of an arm or leg, or disabled so that he cannot use his arm or arms, leg or legs, so that he cannot perform the duty of conductor.

On motion, the report of the committee was accepted and the plan adopted.

Bro. Perin offered the following resolutions:

WHEREAS: The Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood having heard with regret of the death of our worthy Grand Chief Conductor, A. G. Black, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Grand Division do tender to the family of Bro. A. G. Black our heartfelt sympathy, and

Resolved, That in the death of Bro. Black, we have lost not only a worthy brother and faithful member, but one whom we loved.

Resolved, that the members of the Grand Division wear the usual badge of mourning for the period of thirty days.

Resolved, that these resolutions be published in the *Amboy Journal*, and a copy be forwarded to the family of Bro. Black and each subordinate division.

On motion, the resolutions were adopted.

On motion, the Grand Division proceeded to the election of officers : which resulted as follows:

C. S. Moore, G. C. C.
 Oliver Perin, A. G. C. C.
 Joseph Packard, G. R. S.
 John Watson, Grand Treasurer.
 J. W. Thompson, Grand Guide.
 C. P. Brown, Grand Sentinel.

On motion, the Grand Division installed the officers in due form.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned to meet in Cleveland, Ohio,
 on the first Wednesday in November, 1871.

JOSEPH PACKARD, G. R. S.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD
AT THE
FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF CLEVELAND, O.

NOVEMBER 1, 1871.

(51)



WALTER SCOTT SEARS.

Insurance Committee.

PROCEEDINGS.

HALL OF THE BROTHERHOOD OF L. E., }
CLEVELAND, OHIO, November, 1, 1871. }

MORNING.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order at 10 A. M., with the following officers present :

C. S. Moore, G. C. C.
I. N. Hodges, Ass't G. C. C., pro tem.
Joseph Packard, G. R. S.
James Hutchinson, Grand Guide, pro tem.
George H. Gill, Grand Sentinel, pro tem.
C. S. Moore, G. C. C., then opened the Division in due form.

In accordance with previous arrangements, applications were received from Wm. F. Falkiner, of Pittston, Pa.; A. G. Smith, of Altoona, Pa.; P. Kelley, of Bowling Green, Ky.; and Wm. M. Stone, of Memphis, Tenn., to become members of the Order and to receive charters to organize subordinate divisions in their respective places.

On motion, they were initiated in due form and given seats in the Grand Division as delegates.

On motion, the Division adjourned until 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by C. S. Moore, G. C. C., at 2 P. M.

The G. C. C. appointed the following brothers a Committee on Credentials : Oliver Fecker, Wm. M. Stone, J. J. Beck.

The Committee reported that the following members were present and entitled to seats in the Grand Division :

Amboy Div., 1, Joseph Packard.
Oil City Div., 2, not represented.
Logansport Div., 3, A. H. Russell and J. M. Bull.
Altoona Div., 4, M. L. Smith.
Pittston Div., 5, Wm. F. Falkiner.
Berkley Div., 6, I. N. Hodges and J. J. Beck.
Bowling Green Div., 7, P. Kelly.
Crestline Div., 8, Oliver Fecker.

Memphis Div., 9, Wm. M. Stone.
 Cumberland Div., 10, not represented.
 Chambersburg Div., 11, not represented.
 Duquesne Div., 12, not represented.
 Rawlings Div., 13, not represented.
 Springfield Div., 14, not represented.
 Monumental Div., 15, S. Hutchinson and G. H. Hill.
 Wyoming Div., 16, not represented.
 Brookfield Div., 17, not represented.

On motion, the report of the committee was adopted and the delegates declared entitled to seats in the Grand Division.

The minutes of the last annual session were read and approved.

Bro. Hodges read a communication from Berkley Div., 6, recommending an alteration in the Ritual and Constitution. The recommendation was accepted and placed on file.

On motion, the convention went into a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of revising the Constitution and By-Laws.

The hour of closing arrived and the convention was declared closed by the G. C. C. until 9 A. M.

November 2, 1871.

MORNING.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by C. S. Moore, G. C. C.

The Grand Division in Committee of the Whole, reported a Constitution and By-Laws for the government of the Association, which, while substantially the same, had been subjected to many changes.

On motion, the report was accepted and adopted.

On motion, the limit of insurance was fixed at \$2,000.

On motion, some changes were made in the form of the Ritual.

There being no further business, Grand Division adjourned until 2 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by C. S. Moore, G. C. C., at 2 P. M.

On motion of Bro. Beck, Joseph Packard was appointed to prepare a form of funeral services for deceased members of the Conductors' Brotherhood, and instructed to insert the same in the Constitution without further action by the Grand Division.

A form of regalia for the Grand International and subordinate divisions, to be used on public occasions and at meetings, was adopted as follows:

For the Grand Division, a black silk velvet scarf worn on the right shoulder and fastened at the intersection on the left side with a rosette of

red, white and blue, bound on the top with gold, and a white fringe on the lower side with the following emblems :

- G. C. C., crossed gavel.
- F. G. C., one gavel.
- S. G. C., crossed key and pen.
- T. G. C., one pen.
- G. G., crossed swords.
- G. S., the letters "C. B."

For subordinate divisions, a purple scarf worn and bound the same as that worn by the Grand Division, with the following emblems :

- C. C., crossed gavels.
- F. C., one gavel.
- S. C., crossed pens.
- T. C., crossed keys.
- F. C., one pen.
- Guide, one sword.
- Sentinel, eye.

On motion, the charters of Centralia Div., 4, Hornellsville Div., 5, and Grafton Div., 7, were declared forfeited for non-compliance with the Constitution and By-Laws.

On motion, the Grand Division proceeded to the election of officers, which resulted as follows :

- G. C. C., I. N. Hodges.
- F. G. C., Geo. H. Gill.
- S. G. C., Wm. M. Stone.
- G. G., James Hutchinson.
- G. S., M. L. Smith.

There being no further business before the convention, the Grand Division closed until 9 A. M.

November 3, 1871.

MORNING.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order at 9 A. M. by C. S. Moore, G. C. C.

The G. R. S. made his annual report, which was referred to a committee of three, consisting of Bros. Gill, Stone and Hodges.

The committee reported that they found the report of the G. R. S. correct.

On motion, the report of the committee was concurred in and the report of the G. R. S. accepted.

On motion, the past officers' regalia was distinguished from the rest by a large silver star formed of numerous diminutive stars and worn on the breast of the regalia.

Wm. Falkiner, J. M. Bull and Wm. M. Stone were appointed a Committee on Resolutions.

The committee reported as follows :

Resolved, That we, the members of the Grand Division of Conductors' Brotherhood, now in session at Cleveland, O., do, upon adjournment, tender our sincere thanks to Messrs. Wilson and Bellows, Grand Officers of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, for their kind reception at their office, and also to members of Div. 31, B. of L. E., for the free use of their hall in which to hold our convention.

Resolved, That the thanks of the convention be tendered to the proprietor of the Weddel House for his kind attention during our stay in the city, and we recommend him and his house to the public.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the proprietor of *The Cleveland Herald* for publishing our proceedings.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the publishers of *The Journal of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers*, to be published in the columns of that journal.

The following Standing Committees were then appointed by the G. C. C.:

Constitution and By-Laws—Wm. F. Falkiner, J. W. Bull, O. P. Fetcher, Wm. M. Stone and John J. Beck.

Finance—A. H. Russell, James Hutchinson, M. L. Smith, G. H. Gill, and Joseph Packard.

Work—Wm. M. Stone, G. H. Gill, J. W. Bull, Wm. F. Falkiner and John J. Beck.

Salaries—Wm. F. Falkiner, J. W. Bull, M. L. Smith, James Hutchinson and John J. Beck.

Executive—Wm. M. Stone, G. H. Gill, Wm. F. Falkiner, A. R. Russell and Joseph Packard.

There being no further business to be considered, the Grand Division was declared adjourned by the G. C. C. to meet the first Wednesday in November, 1872, in Louisville, Ky.

JOSEPH PACKARD, G. R. S.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD
AT THE
FIFTH ANNUAL SESSION.
HELD IN THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS,
NOVEMBER 6, 1872.
(57)



HIRAM HURTY.

Executive Committee.

PROCEEDINGS.

HALL OF THE BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS. }
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., November 6, 1872. }

MORNING.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order by I. N. Hodges, G. C. C., with the following officers present :

I. N. Hodges, G. C. C.
G. H. Gill, F. G. C.
Joseph Packard, S. G. C.
Thomas S. Fost, T. G. C., pro tem.
T. J. Wright, G. G., pro tem.
M. L. Smith, G. S.

The G. C. C. then delivered his annual address as follows:

BROTHERS: Custom makes it incumbent upon me to address you at this, our fifth annual convention.

It must be gratifying to all friends of our Order to know that our increase of numbers and extension of subordinate divisions has been so rapid, and in order to extend its influences to a wider sphere, we have selected this city in which to hold our annual convention.

Although our policy is framed with a view to unite all good conductors in our common cause, yet we exclude everything of a sectarian character, and agree to unite for one common cause.

Our progress as an organization has been rapid during the last year, and we have greater cause for a happy greeting and happy congratulations to each other on this occasion than at any former period. At present we have some twenty-three divisions located in different parts of the country, and I hope the time is not far distant when its influence will be felt in all parts of the country.

Our membership at this time numbers over one thousand, and with judicious legislation and proper attention to the interest and welfare of our Order we may hope to augment our strength to at least double that number by the time we are called to our next annual convention.

Your attention is called to the importance of making such changes in the Constitution and Ritual as may tend to benefit the Order at large. I would suggest to this Grand Body to urge upon railway managers the importance of selecting the most experienced and trustworthy men to fill the

position of conductors, as accidents of too frequent occurrence are attributed to the incompetency of those having charge of trains.

My Brethren, in meeting here as delegates at this convention, you assume a great responsibility. Upon your deliberations in a great measure depends the peace, harmony and prosperity of this Order. Let your acts be tempered with wisdom so the influence of this Order will be felt to a greater extent among those with whom we are associated, and let us not only cultivate friendly feelings among ourselves, but live and work in harmony with railroad officials and all classes of employees.

Let us urge upon every member of the Brotherhood the importance of abstaining from the use of intoxicating liquors and show by our actions that we are determined to maintain unsullied the reputation of the Conductors' Brotherhood. Let our motto be : "Ask for nothing but what is right and submit to nothing that is wrong."

During the past year death has visited and taken from among us two of our beloved brothers. Disease has claimed one, and a frightful accident has taken the other. Let the memory of our departed brothers that have been called away by death be a lasting admonition to us.

And now, in conclusion, permit me again to suggest the wisdom of so legislating for subordinate divisions that it may ultimately tend to strengthen our Order, augment its numbers, and extend its influence to a wider field of usefulness.

To do this aright requires that we shall ask aid of the Eternal Fountain of Wisdom and Righteousness.

I. N. HODGES, G. C. C.

The report of the G. C. C. was referred to a committee consisting of G. H. Gill, B. H. Cornelius, T. J. Wright, J. M. Silsbee and S. McElroy.

The G. C. C. appointed the following named brothers a Committee on Credentials : J. W. Silsbee, T. J. Fost and W. A. Burgett.

The committee reported that the following delegates were present and entitled to seats in the Grand Division :

Div. 1, T. J. Wright.
 Div. 4, Geo. S. Debray.
 Div. 6, Thomas J. Fost.
 Div. 8, W. A. Burgett.
 Div. 10, John Buscy.
 Div. 12, J. W. Silsbee.
 Div. 13, S. McElroy.
 Div. 15, G. H. Gill.
 Div. 18, B. F. Cornelius.
 Div. 19, W. B. Kerr.
 Div. 20, W. H. Batchelor.
 Div. 22, J. M. Bradley.

The report of the committee was adopted.

The minutes of the last annual convention were read and approved with the exception of that part relating to the meeting at Louisville, Ky.

The following committees were appointed :

Constitution and By-Laws—T. J. Wright, W. A. Burgett, B. F. Cornelius, J. M. Silsbee, S. McElroy.

Finance—M. L. Smith, Geo. H. Gill, John Busey, J. M. Bradley, W. H. Kerr.

Work—G. H. Gill, T. J. Fost, G. S. Debray, S. McElroy, W. H. Batchelor.

The S. G. C. made his annual report, which showed a membership of 542, as per subordinate division reports, and as eleven divisions failed to report, there must be a membership of about 1,000.

The whole amount collected during the year was \$336.80, and the whole amount expended \$306.49, leaving a balance on hand of \$30.31.

The whole number in the insurance on the 1st day of November, 1871, was 41; 29 have joined since November 1, 1871. Number of deaths, 2. Whole number in insurance November 1, 1872, is 68. Whole amount of insurance fees collected is \$14.75; whole amount paid out, \$1.40; whole amount on hand, \$10.35.

The report of the G. S. C. was referred to the Committee on Grand Officers' Reports.

On motion, the convention adjourned until 2:30 P. M.

November 6, 1872.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division met at 2:30 P. M., and was called to order by I. N. Hodges, G. C. C., and declared open for business.

On motion, the roll of divisions was called and delegates were requested to offer such business as they thought proper to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

A communication from Divisions 10 and 18, recommending a change in the Ritual, Constitution and By-Laws, was referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned until 9 A. M.

November 7, 1872.

MORNING.

Grand Division met pursuant to adjournment and was called to order at 9 A. M. by I. N. Hodges, G. C. C.

J. Packard submitted a form of Ritual which was referred to the Committee on Work.

The Committee on Constitution and By-Laws reported important

changes in the Constitution and By-Laws for the government of subordinate divisions.

On motion of Bro. McElroy, the changes were submitted to the Grand Division section by section and acted on separately.

On motion of Bro. Batchelor, a committee of two were appointed to wait upon the reporters of the press and invite them to report the proceedings.

Bros. Cornelius and Batchelor were appointed as said committee.

On motion of Bro. McElroy, the changes recommended by the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws were read and adopted without formal vote.

On motion of Bro. Gill, seven members were considered sufficient to constitute a quorum to do business in subordinate divisions.

On motion of Bro. Smith, the Grand Division adjourned until 2:30 P. M.

November 7, 1872.

AFTERNOON.

The convention was called to order at 2:30 P. M. by the G. C. C.

Bro. Bradley moved that the motion made by Bro. Gill in regard to seven constituting a quorum be reconsidered.

Bro. McElroy moved that motion of Bro. Bradley be laid on the table. Motion carried.

Bro. Packard moved that the order of business and rules of order in the Constitution adopted in 1869 be adopted. Motion lost.

Bro. McElroy moved that the order of business in the Constitution of 1871 be adopted with amendments. Motion carried.

Bro. McElroy moved that the Grand Division take up that part of the Constitution which relates to the matter of obtaining charters, organizing subordinate divisions, etc. Motion carried.

Constitution read, amended and adopted as amended.

On motion of Bro. McElroy, the Grand Division adjourned until 9 A. M.

November 8, 1872.

MORNING.

Grand Division was called to order at 9 A. M. by the G. C. C.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Committee on the Annual Address made the following report :

To the Officers and Members of the G. I. D.:

We, your Committee on Grand Officers' Reports, beg leave to submit the following :

We recommend that as much of the Grand Secretary's report as relates to membership, numbers, numbers of divisions, etc., are approved. As much as relates to receipts and expenditures be referred to the Committee

on Finance. We would recommend that there be a clause inserted in our Constitution requiring subordinate divisions to transmit to the G. R. S. all returns and moneys due the Grand Division at least thirty days before the meeting of the said Grand Division.

G. H. GILL,
J. M. SILSBEE,
T. J. WRIGHT,
S. McELROY,
B. F. CORNELIUS,

Committee.

The report of the committee was adopted. The Committee on Work made the following report :

We, your Committee on Work, hereby submit the following and recommend its adoption as a Ritual for the government of subordinate divisions.

G. H. GILL,
T. J. FOST,
W. H. BATCHELOR,
S. McELROY,
G. S. DEBRAY,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Gill, that the Ritual submitted by the committee be read and if there be no objections that it stand adopted.

Motion carried ; Ritual read and adopted.

On motion, the Grand Division adjourned until 2:30 P. M.

November 8, 1872.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division was called to order by the G. C. C. at 2:30 P. M.

The Committee on Grand Officers' Reports made the following report :

We, your Committee on Grand Officers' Reports, beg leave to submit the following with our report and recommend that it be spread upon the Journal and printed with the proceedings of the Grand International Division. Your committee would respectfully recommend that when the Grand Officers make their report they include a synopsis of all their official acts.

G. H. GILL,
T. J. WRIGHT,
J. W. SILSBEE,
S. McELROY,
B. F. CORNELIUS,

Committee.

Resolved, That the proceedings of this Grand Division be printed in pamphlet form for distribution among subordinate divisions.

The Committee on Finance made the following report :

To the Officers and Delegates of the G. I. D., of the Conductors' Brotherhood:

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following :

We have examined the report of the Second Grand Conductor and find it correct.

We would also make the following report :

Not being able to estimate accurately what the expenses of the Grand Officers are while in attendance at the present session of the Grand Division, we recommend that upon their return home they make out a statement of their actual expenses and send to the S. G. C. for payment.

And we further recommend an assessment of 25 cents per member to meet the expenses of the present session of the Grand Division, to be collected on or by the 1st of January next.

And we further recommend an assessment of 50 cents per member to meet the expenses of the ensuing year, payable thirty days before the meeting of the next session of the Grand Division.

And we further recommend that the G. R. S. be paid \$50 for his services during the ensuing year.

M. L. SMITH,
J. M. BRADLEY,
G. H. GILL,
W. B. KERR,
JOHN BUSEY,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Batchelor, the report of the Committee on Finance was accepted.

On motion of Bro. McElroy, the Grand Division adjourned until 9 A. M.

November 9, 1872.

MORNING.

Grand Division called to order at 9:00 A. M. by the G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

On motion of Bro. Kerr, a Committee on Resolutions, consisting of Bros. Silsbee, Kerr and Bradley, was appointed.

The Committee on Constitution and By-Laws reported as follows :

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., November 9, 1872.

BROTHERS : We, the undersigned Committee on Constitution, submit for your consideration the following amendments to the Constitution of the G. I. D. :

We recommend that the duties of the G. T. be defined as follows : "It shall be the duty of the Grand Treasurer to receive from the G. R. S. all money belonging to the Brotherhood, pay all warrants drawn on him by the G. I. D., and properly attested by the G. R. S., make and present to the G. I. D., annually, a report of all his transactions and at the expiration of his term of office turn over to his successor all money, books, papers, etc., pertaining to his office, and perform such other duties as may be required by the Constitution and Ritual."

We recommend that any member addicted to the use of intoxicating liquor be expelled, and that all Grand Officers be elected for a term of one year.

We recommend that Sections 5 and 9 of Article II be stricken out.

We recommend that the words "two-thirds" in Article II be stricken out and the word "majority" inserted.

We recommend that Section 1, Article III, be stricken out.

We recommend that the time of the meeting of the G. I. D. be changed to the first Tuesday in November.

We recommend that Section 8, Article III, be stricken out and that the following be adopted as Sections 2 and 3 of Article 1 :

Sec. 2. It is the source of all true and legitimate authority over the Order and possesses, as such, power over the same and all the work belonging thereto : To it belongs the exclusive right to establish, regulate and control the forms and ceremonies, written and unwritten work, and to change, alter and annul the same ; to provide all forms, ceremonies, cards, odes and rituals and to prescribe the regalia and emblems that shall be used.

Sec. 3. To it belongs the power to establish the Order in States, districts, territories and foreign countries where the same has not already been established.

Also, to enact all laws and regulations of general application for the government of sub-divisions, and it possesses all power not expressly delegated to subordinate divisions, and to it belongs the right and power to grant charters and dispensations.

T. G. WRIGHT,
W. A. BURGETT,
B. F. CORNELIUS,
S. McELROY,
J. M. SILSBEE,

Committee

Motion of Bro. Batchellor that the report of the committee and the suggestions recommended by them be adopted. Carried.

Motion by Bro. Gill that each sub-division be entitled to one delegate for the first seven members, and an additional delegate for each full twenty members above that number. Lost.

Motion by Bro. McElroy that the following be adopted as an additional section to the Constitution of sub-divisions :

All such divisions failing to comply with the provisions of this article shall not be entitled to representation in the G. I. D., nor to receive pass-words until their returns have been properly made out and transmitted to the G. R. S. Adopted.

Motion by Bro. Packard that the charters of Divisions 2, 9, 11, 14 and 17 be declared forfeited for non-compliance with the Constitution and By-Laws. Carried.

Bro. Batchellor offered the following, which was adopted :

The G. C. C. may be empowered to appoint a Deputy G. C. C. in each State or district where there may be divisions located, to organize sub-divisions. Such duties to be defined by the G. I. D. and expenses to be paid by the division applying for such charter.

Motion of Bro. Batchellor that the G. I. D. go into the election of officers for the ensuing year. Carried.

Nominations for G. C. C.: S. McElroy, J. M. Silsbee, Geo. H. Gill.
J. M. Silsbee was elected on first ballot.

Nominations for A. G. C. C.: Geo. H. Gill, James H. Bradley, Joseph Packard.

Geo. H. Gill was elected on second ballot.

Nomination for G. R. S.: Joseph Packard.

Elected on first ballot.

Nominations for G. T.: Thomas J. Fost, James H. Bradley, M. L. Smith, Wm. H. Batchellor.

M. L. Smith elected on first ballot.

Nominations for G. G.: W. A. Burgett, W. H. Batchellor, B. F. Cornelius.

B. F. Cornelius was elected on first ballot.

Nominations for G. S.: W. B. Kerr, T. G. Wright, John Busey.

W. B. Kerr was elected on third ballot.

The following resolution was offered by Bro. McElroy :

Resolved, That when this G. I. D. adjourns its annual session, that it be to meet in the city of Pittsburg, Pa., on the first Tuesday in November, 1873. Adopted.

Motion of Bro. Packard to adjourn till 2 P. M.

2 P. M.—G. I. D. called to order and declared open for business.

The officers for the ensuing year were duly installed and took their stations.

Bro. McElroy offered the following resolution which was adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this G. I. D. are due, and are hereby tendered to the retiring Grand Officers for the impartial manner in which they have discharged the duties of their offices.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, that the Grand Officers have a suitable charter lithographed, for the use of sub-divisions. Carried.

Committee on Resolutions reported the following, which was adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of the G. I. D. are due to J. B. Whitsett, of Div. No. 11, B. of L. E., for his kind reception of us, and also to the officers and members of Div. No. 11, B. of L. E., for the free use of their beautiful hall for the purpose of holding our G. I. Convention in.

Resolved, That the thanks of this G. I. D. be tendered to Mr. E. H. Winchester, the gentlemanly proprietor of the National hotel, for his kind treatment of us during our stay in the city, and would respectfully recommend the National Hotel to the traveling public.

Resolved, That the thanks of the G. I. D. are due to the public press of the city for their kindness in publishing our proceedings.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the city press for publication.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted by the G. R. S. to the officers and members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and to Mr. E. H. Winchester, the gentlemanly proprietor of the National Hotel, and the editors of the daily papers for publishing our proceedings.

J. M. SILSBEE,
W. B. KERR,
JAS. M. BRADLEY,

Committee.

The following resolution was offered by Bro. Gill, and adopted :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to get up a lithograph copy of a certificate of membership for the use of members of the Brotherhood at large, and be submitted to the Grand Officers for their approval ; provided, however, that no expense attends the same to the Grand International Division.

Bros. Gill, McElroy and Kerr were appointed as said committee.

Motion by Bro. Gill that the G. C. C. and G. R. S. get up a plan for a charter such as they may think suitable for the Order.

Motion by Bro. Gill that the G. R. S. be paid for his services in writing up the proceedings of the G. I. D. Constitution and By-Laws, and the Ritual of the Order, and getting the same printed.

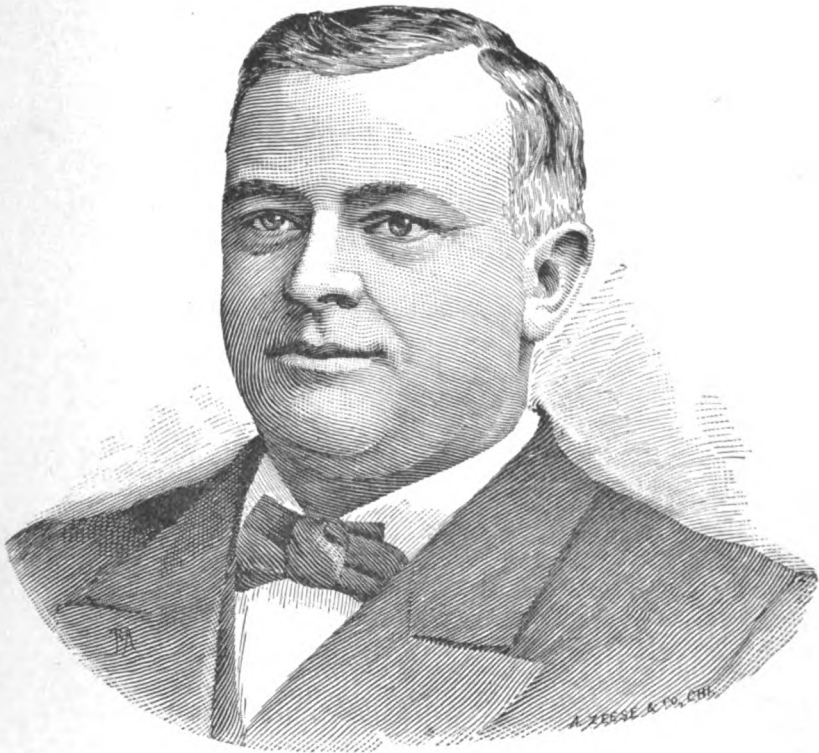
No further business appearing for this Grand Body to consider, it was declared adjourned by J. W. Silsbee, G. C. C., to meet in Pittsburg, Pa., on the first Tuesday in November, 1873.

JOSEPH PACKARD, G. R. S.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD
AT THE
SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF PITTSBURG, PA.

NOVEMBER 4, 1873.

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ERWIN HANFORD BELKNAP.

Assistant Grand Chief Conductor.

PROCEEDINGS.

HALL OF DIVISION NO. 13,
BROTHERHOOD OF RAILROAD CONDUCTORS. }
PITTSBURG, PA., NOV. 4, 1873.

Grand International Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood met pursuant to adjournment at Indianapolis, Ind., November 7, 1872, and was called to order by Bro. J. W. Silsbee, G. C. C.

Officers present: J. W. Silsbee, G. C. C.; Wm. L. Collins, A. G. C. C. pro tem.; Joseph Packard, G. R. S.; M. L. Smith, G. T.; B. F. Cornelius, G. G.; Wm. B. Kerr, G. S.

GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

FRIENDS AND BROTHERS: As your presiding officer has been in the habit of delivering an annual address on the assembling of this grand body, therefore it is incumbent upon me, as your presiding officer at this time, thus to address you:

At our last meeting it was resolved to hold this, our Sixth Annual Convention of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood, in this city.

Pursuant to that resolution we have met here this morning; met to interchange the greeting of an exalted friendship; met for the purpose of attending to the business which pertains to our organization, and to try and devise the best means for the furtherance of our good cause, and more completely perfect our organization, and thereby elevate our characters and standing as men, as well as to improve our capacity as railroad conductors. My brothers, I congratulate you all on this occasion. The prosperity of our Order at this time should fill the heart of every member of our Brotherhood with pride and pleasure for the continued success of our organization. Our friends still continue to work in the good cause which we have embarked in, to unite all good railroad conductors. As you are all aware, we exclude everything of a sectarian nature, and agree to unite for one specific purpose—to strengthen our noble cause.

May God forbid that any member should ever be guilty of violating the obligation which we have taken, and thereby disgrace himself as well as tarnish the good name of our association, for we are fast gaining the confidence of the public, and especially the railroad officers throughout the country.

Our progress, as an organization, during the past year, has not been as rapid as some would suppose, yet we have advanced steadily.

We have organized eight new divisions, as well as added greatly to our numbers in the old divisions. We are, to-day, able to report all of our subdivisions in good working order (except one), both fraternally and financially. My brothers, we may rejoice together over the continued success of our organization. We should consider well our situation, and the cause of our prosperity, and be extremely cautious and prudent in all of our deliberations.

All matters which may come before you, of a doubtful character, should be excluded at once.

The nature of our occupation throws a vast responsibility upon us, and all of our bad character as well as the good is recognizable. The vast traveling public, as well as the railroad officials, are not slow to recognize our good qualities, and extend to us an approval in words as well as in actions. Thus, in pursuing the right, we will find it an easy task to call their attention to the object and aim of our brotherhood. They have almost given us their hearty approval thus far. We have raised the standing of our conductors in a moral point, and it does not require a prophet to tell, with a certainty unmistakable, that the railroad companies will not be allowed to pursue a policy that would have a tendency to lower the moral standing and qualifications of their conductors. Public sentiment is a power when awakened. As our aim is to teach one another in our business as well as to aid and assist in the discharge of our duties while upon the road, I know that our officers must notice this fact and assist us. •

A few accidents resulting in the loss of life, caused by incompetency or drunkenness, will always arouse public sentiment, and demand a reason why such men are employed and trusted with the responsibility of holding human lives in their grasp. The reply that "We cannot afford to pay wages that a good conductor demands" will not satisfy the public. No, my brothers! as we advance in our mental training we *will* advance our wages. The public, to-day, are looking to us for a reformation, and, by the help of God, we will try and satisfy them.

The advantages gained by railroad companies, on account of having obtained first-class conductors, is recognized by the traveling public, and such companies thereby add to their patronage, and the public feel safe while in their transit over the roads; thus we, as well as the officers, gain a reward of confidence and a lasting respect, which will demand a fair and just compensation for our labor and culture.

The main object of our organization or society is to educate and improve ourselves and our fellow men up to the highest attainable standard, and make that standard commensurate to our responsibility as conductors.

We should so regulate our social habits that at all times and all places we would be respected as gentlemen. Be honest in all our transactions, keeping constantly before us the spirit of justice and good will. Following this policy, it will be an easy thing for us to gain the victory which we have been battling for so long.

I here make a suggestion to the lodge: That they urge the necessity of double vigilance on the part of railroad managers in making their selections

of men to fill the position of conductor—men of character and experience, and in every respect trustworthy, as accidents of too frequent occurrence are attributable to incompetency of those having charge of trains—and also to urge upon all members of the brotherhood the importance of abstaining from the use of intoxicating liquors. Thus we will show to the world at large that we are bound by the strongest ties to preserve and maintain, unsullied, the reputation of the Conductors' Brotherhood. Let our motto be, Ask for nothing but what is right, and submit to nothing that is wrong.

My brothers, I urge you, as delegates representing a numerous and widespread constituency, that you don't forget the vast responsibility resting upon you as such, to lay aside all personal feelings and let your actions and deliberations be guided by wisdom; lay aside all personal and local prejudice and unite as brothers. May the God of justice quicken your understanding and brighten your intellects, that you may devise the best means and measures to build up and perpetuate a society that will be a lasting honor to your name, and of inestimable benefit to those that are to come after you, thus adding to the security, comfort, and stability of a system of travel and transportation, for persons and property, from north to south and from east to west.

Your actions here will be scrutinized by the commercial world, and I hope that all the delegates at this convention will so conduct themselves throughout our deliberations that all will show clearly that they severally feel the responsibility of fixing the policy which we are to pursue in the future.

The public are anxiously watching us. They are the jury before whom we are arraigned. Shall the verdict be guilty or not guilty? It is in your power to obtain the verdict, and with the help of God and a strict adherence to the law, we will be able to stand forth guiltless, and a monument of virtue which will last eternal, both in this world and the world to come.

During the past year death has broken our circle and taken therefrom some of our beloved brothers. Let their memory be ever cherished, and may this call be a lasting admonition to us that we, too, are mortal, and at the sound of the gavel of the Great High Chief we, too, must leave this circle.

In conclusion, brothers, permit me again to suggest that your deliberations be guided by wisdom, that you may so legislate for the sub-divisions that your labors will strengthen our Order, augment its numbers, and extend its influence to a wide field of usefulness. You are sent here by your divisions to revise, alter and amend the laws which govern our Order. In doing so let me remind you that it is expected of you that all personal prejudices and sectarian notions are to be laid aside—remember he that ruleth his own spirit is greater than he that taketh a city. Give all questions which may come before you your most candid attention. Each one of you has an influence; it is your duty to exert that influence in the right, and consider all things well before giving it your sanction. Let every action work to strengthen our organization. Put your trust in God and He will

bless us and our works; adhere to our motto, and may the kind Ruler of the heavens and the earth rule this convention, that its deliberations begin in peace and close in harmony, friendship, truth, and love

J. W. SILSBEE, G. C. C.

The G. C. C. appointed the following named brothers a Committee on Credentials: G. Z. Cruzen, Wm. F. Falkiner, J. N. Chambers—who reported favorably on the following named delegates:

Amboy Div., No. 1, E. H. Thomas.
 Buffalo Div., No. 2, Wm. H. Peters.
 Hornellsville Div., No. 3, William L. Collins.
 Altoona Div., No. 4, J. D. Thompson.
 Wyoming Div., No. 5, Wm. F. Falkiner.
 Berkeley Div., No. 6, Frank McAnney.
 Bowling Green Div., No. 7, not represented.
 Crestline Div., No. 8, G. Z. Cruzen.
 Elmira Div., No. 9, O. E. Parsons.
 Mountain City Div., No. 10, F. McAnney, proxy.
 Alleghany Div., No. 11, J. M. Eberlin.
 Lackawanna Div., No. 12, R. B. Stevens.
 Iron City Div., No. 13, Samuel McElroy.
 Cleveland Div., No. 14, G. D. Carothers.
 Monumental Div., No. 15, W. T. Keith.
 Grafton Div., No. 16, Geo. Robertson.
 Quincy Div., No. 17, W. R. Muzzy.
 Philadelphia Div., No. 18, B. F. Cornelius.
 Bloomington Div., No. 19, Wm. B. Kerr.
 Wellsville Div., No. 20, John D. Campbell.
 Lehigh Div., No. 21, not represented.
 Gate City Div., No. 22, J. W. Chambers.
 Wayne Div., No. 23, J. C. W. Long.
 St. Albans Div., No. 24, not represented.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with. Amended by Bro. Cruzen that the minutes as published be adopted. Amendment accepted by Bro. McElroy, and on vote of the delegates the motion was adopted.

The G. C. C. appointed the following named brothers as Standing Committees:

Constitution and By-Laws: Samuel McElroy, R. B. Stevens, E. H. Thomas, F. McAnney, Geo. Robertson.

Committee on Finance: Wm. L. Collins, Wm. B. Kerr, M. R. Muzzy, W. T. Keith, O. E. Parsons.

Committee on Work: G. Z. Cruzen, B. F. Cornelius, Wm. F. Falkiner, J. D. Thompson, J. W. Chambers.

Bro. McElroy offered the following :

Resolved, That no brother be permitted to speak longer than ten minutes upon any one question coming before the G. I. D., nor oftener than twice upon the same subject, unless by the unanimous consent of all present.

Carried.

Bro. Packard offered the following :

Resolved, That any delegate having anything to offer, that they put it in writing.

Resolved, That all members of the Order, in good standing, may be admitted to seats in the convention as visitors.

Carried.

Bro. Falkiner offered the following :

Resolved, That this Grand International Division close and open its meetings under the following rule, viz.: meet at 10 A. M. and close at 12 M.; open at 2 P. M. and close at 6 P. M., without motion.

Motion by Bro. McElroy to lay on the table. Carried.

On motion of Bro. Falkiner, adjourned for dinner.

AFTERNOON.

2 P. M., called to order by the G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

The Grand Recording Secretary made his annual report, which was referred to a special committee of three, consisting of Bros. Long, Eberlin and Falkiner.

The following was offered by Bro. Cruzen :

Resolved, That we strike out the last sentence of Section 1st, of Article 15, in the Special Rule for the government of sub-divisions; also that Section 2d in the same article be amended to read as follows, to-wit :

Any member of the Brotherhood who shall engage in any business, not connected with railroading, shall pay all dues and assessments, including all G. I. D. dues, and shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Order, the same as any other member of the Order, and Section 2d is hereby repealed.

Referred to the Committee on Constitution.

The following was offered by Bro. McElroy :

SECTION 1ST. This organization shall be known under the name and title of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood, and its purpose shall be more effectually to combine the interests of railroad conductors, to elevate their standing as such, and their characters as men.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

The following was offered by Bro. Cruzen : That Section 1st and Article 2d of the Constitution be amended to read as follows : " Elected annually."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

The following was offered by Bro. McElroy : The organization of the Grand Division shall be effected in the following manner : Each sub-division shall elect annually one delegate, who shall be a Past Chief Conductor, to represent them in the Grand Division, and shall meet at such time and place as shall be designated ; provided, however, that the above clause shall not be so construed as to exclude any who have served as a delegate one full term.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

The following was offered by Bro. Falkiner :

Resolved, That we revise Article 15, Section 1st, and insert : " There shall be a traveling card for the use and benefit of members in good standing that are engaged in railroad business, which card cannot be granted without the majority vote of the division, and under the signature of the C. C. and R. S. Such card shall not be granted for the space of more than three months. The brother obtaining such card shall sign the same in his own handwriting, and return it at the expiration of three months, or give satisfactory reasons for not producing the same.

"Traveling cards shall not be granted only in case of a brother being absent from his legitimate business, or going from under the jurisdiction of his division."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

The following was offered by Bro. Carothers :

Resolved, That Article 14, Section 1, be changed to read : " The regular meetings of the Brotherhood shall take place at least once a month, on any day which each division may determine, and five members shall constitute a quorum to do any business that may legally come before the division."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

The following was offered by Bro. Cruzen :

Resolved, That the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood order that there be a journal published in the interests of the Brotherhood.

Motion of Bro. Cruzen referred to a Committee of the Whole. Carried.

Motion of Bro. Cruzen that it be adopted. Carried.

Motion of Bro. McElroy that it be deferred till 2 P. M., November 5, for final action. Carried.

On motion of Bro. McElroy, adjourned until 9 o'clock A. M., November 5, 1873.

9 A. M., November 5, 1873.

The G. C. C. called the G. D. to order and declared it open for business. Committee on Constitution and By-Laws made the following report :

We recommend that the latter clause of Section 1, Article 15, be stricken out ; also Section 2, Article 15, be repealed and the following substituted :
 "Any member of the C. B. who shall engage in any business not connected with railroading, (liquor dealers excepted,) shall pay all dues and assessments, including all G. D. dues, and shall be entitled to all the privileges of the Order, the same as any other member."

On vote, lost.

They reported in favor of the adoption of Section 1, offered by Bro. McElroy, and on vote of the G. D. was adopted.

Also in favor of the adoption of the amendment of Section 1, Article 2, offered by Bro. Cruzen. On vote, was adopted.

Also in favor of the adoption of the resolution offered by Bro. McElroy, in regard to the organization of the G. D. and the election of delegates. On vote, was lost.

They made an advance report on the resolution offered by Bro. Carothers, in regard to amending Section 1 of Article 14.

B. B. STEVENS,
 E. H. THOMAS,
 F. McANNEY,
 G. ROBERTSON,

Committee.

Motion by Bro. Cruzen, to suspend the rule, and amend Section 1, Article 2, so as to read "annually." Carried.

Bro. McElroy offered the following as an amendment to Section 5, Article 4 :

"Members of any defunct division who were in good standing at the time of the dissolution, may be admitted into any other division, after having applied to, and received from, the Grand Division, a card signed by the G. C. C., and countersigned by the G. R. S., with the seal of the Grand Division attached. The application for such card must be accompanied by the fee of one dollar; the card so issued shall hold good for the space of six months."

On vote of the Grand Division, carried.

Adjourned till 2 P. M.

2 P. M.—Called to order by G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

Bro. Cornelius offered the following :

Resolved, That no member belonging to the Conductors' Brotherhood shall be eligible to represent a sub-division in the Grand Division unless he be a railroad conductor at the time of his election to represent the same.

Motion by Bro. McElroy to suspend the rules to take immediate action on the resolution. Carried.

Motion by Bro. McElroy to lay the resolution on the table indefinitely. Carried.

The following was offered by Bro. Cruzen :

Resolved, That the whole of the matter from page 35 to 39 of the Constitution and By-Laws be stricken out, and that the usual parliamentary rules, as laid down in Cushing's Manual, be adopted for the government of this Order.

Referred to Committee on Constitution, who reported favorably, and, on vote, was lost.

Bro. Falkiner offered the following :

Resolved, That Section 2, Article 4, Constitution to govern Sub-Divisions, be stricken out.

Referred to Committee on Constitution, who reported favorably, and, on vote, carried.

Bro. Cruzen offered the following : Be it

Resolved, That the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood advise and recommend that there be an appropriate and suitable journal published in the interest of the Order, and also that each delegate, upon his return home, at once ascertain the amount of subscriptions that he can furnish from his respective division, and report to G. Z. Cruzen.

Said subscription price to be the sum of one dollar per annum.

And further, that said journal receives the undivided support and influence of this Order, through its branches, so long as the same is conducted in a proper and becoming manner.

Carried.

The following was offered by Bro. Cruzen :

ART. 15, SEC. 1. There shall be a traveling card for the benefit of members in good standing, which card may be granted by the C. C. and R. S. Such card shall not be granted for a longer time than three months. The brother obtaining such card shall sign the same and return it at the expiration of three months or give satisfactory reasons for not producing the same before he can obtain another card, and all cards shall be endorsed on the back with date of issue, and the words, "To be returned in three months," and signed by the C. C. and R. S., and also state the number of years the brother has run a train, and if he be not engaged in the sale of

intoxicating liquors, and worthy. the date of his retiring from the service and his present occupation.

SEC. 2. Any member of the Brotherhood who shall engage in any business not connected with railroads shall pay all dues and assessments the same as any other member.

Motion by Bro. Cruzen that Sections 1 and 2, Article 15, be and the same are hereby repealed.

The following was offered by Bro. Smith :

Resolved, That each sub-division be furnished with two rituals.

Motion by Bro. Cruzen to suspend the rules so as to take immediate action. Carried.

Motion by Bro. Cruzen to adopt the resolution as offered. Carried.

The Committee on Constitution made the following report :

Your committee respectfully recommend the passage of the resolution in striking out the last three words of Section 1, of Article 1, Constitution Sub-Division ; also the passage of the resolution in striking out Section 2 of Article 4. Your committee recommend the adoption of the resolution offered by representative of Div. 14 ; also recommend the adoption of the amendment to Article 15, Sections 1 and 2.

Respectfully submitted,

S. McELROY,
E. H. THOMAS,
G. W. ROBERTSON,
R. B. STEVENS,
F. McANNEY,

Committee.

Adjourned till 9 A. M., November 6.

9 A. M., November 6, 1873.

The following was offered by Bro. Parsons :

Resolved, That we communicate with the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers in regard to a degree whereby the two elements can be brought in harmony, and Brother Conductors and Brother Engineers can know and recognize one another.

Motion to lay on the table indefinitely. Carried.

Bro. Collins offered the following :

Resolved, That the sentence of Section 3, Article 3, reading, "And the C. C. shall appoint a committee of 3," be erased, and the following words be substituted instead, "And there shall be a committee of three."

Referred to the Committee on Constitution.

Bro. Long offered the following :

Resolved, That Article 14, Section 1, be made to read as follows : "Each sub-division shall decide how many shall constitute a quorum."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Committee on Constitution made the following report

Your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws would report adversely to the following resolutions : Amending Section 1, of Article 14. We also submit an adverse report to the amendment of Section 3 of Article 3, of Constitution of Sub-division.

Respectfully submitted,

S. McELROY,
R. B. STEVENS,
F. McANNEY,
E. H. THOMPSON,
G. W. ROBERTSON,

Committee.

Report on vote lost.

The Committee on Finance made the following report :

To the G. C. C., Officers and Brothers of the Grand Division of Conductors' Brotherhood : We, your Committee on Finance, respectfully beg leave to report that, in as much as there was a special committee appointed to audit the books and accounts of the Grand Secretary, most of the usual business of a Finance Committee was taken out of our hands. The Finance Committee would also state that they are perfectly satisfied with the report of the Special Committee, they having performed the duty as well, perhaps better than we, ourselves, could have done. The only business left for us to dispose of was the necessary amount to be assessed upon each member of the Order for the current expenses of the year. We would therefore recommend that an assessment of fifty cents be levied upon each member of the Order to meet those expenses.

Respectfully,

W. L. COLLINS,
W. B. KERR,
W. R. MUZZY,
W. J. KEITH,
O. E. PARSONS,

Committee.

We, your Committee on Work, beg leave to submit the following report : We report back the present Ritual as it now stands and recommend no change therein for the ensuing year.

Adjourned till 9 A. M., November 7.

9 A. M., November 7, 1873.

Called to order by the G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

A motion by Bro. McElroy that the rules be suspended for the purpose of introducing a resolution to change the name of Grafton Division, No. 16. Carried.

Resolved, That authority be and is hereby given to Grafton Division, No. 16, to change the name of such division. Carried.

Motion by Bro. Cruzen, that Section 2, Article 15, of Constitution of Sub-Division be repealed. Carried.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, that Section 1, Article 15, be adopted. Carried.

Report of Special Committee :

G. C. C.: We, the Special Committee, beg leave to submit the following report: After a careful examination of all books and papers placed at our disposal, we find the

Total receipts.....	\$732 06
Total expenditures.....	430 68
Leaving a balance in the treasury.....	\$292 38

Respectfully submitted,

J. C. W. LONG,
WM. F. FALKINER,
J. M. EBERLEIN,

Committee.

Motion by Bro. Muzzy, that the report of Special Committee on G. R. S. be adopted and the committee be discharged. Carried.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, that Article 14, Section 1, be adopted.

On motion of Bro. Cruzen, the following was offered as an amendment to the resolution: To change Article 14, Section 1, to read: Each sub-division shall have power to fix their own quorum, said quorum shall consist of not less than five members. Carried.

Adjourned till 2 P. M.

2 P. M., G. C. C. called to order, and declared ready for business.

Motion of Bro. Cruzen, that we proceed to the nomination and election for Grand Officers for the ensuing year. Carried.

The G. C. C. appointed Bros. Smith, Falkiner and Robertson as tellers of election.

Nominations for G. C. C.: G. Z. Cruzen, S. McElroy, Wm. L. Collins, J. D. Thompson.

G. Z. Cruzen was elected on second ballot.

Nominations for G. A. C. C.: Wm. L. Collins, M. L. Smith, John D. Campbell.

M. L. Smith elected on first ballot.

Nominations for G. R. S.: J. Packard, B. F. Cornelius, J. C. W. Long.
J. Packard elected on first ballot.

Nominations for G. T.: Wm. L. Collins, J. C. W. Long, John D. Campbell, J. W. Chambers.

Wm. L. Collins elected on first ballot.

Nominations for G. G.: J. M. Chambers.
Elected by acclamation.

Nominations for G. S.: E. H. Thomas, O. E. Parsons, W. R. Muzzy, John D. Campbell.

John D. Campbell elected on third ballot.

Motion by Bro. Packard that we proceed to ballot for the place to hold the next annual convention. Carried.

The first ballot resulted as follows: Elmira, 8; Cleveland, 3; Baltimore, 8; Altoona, 2; Hornellsville, 2.

Second ballot as follows: Elmira, 10; Baltimore, 8; Cleveland, 4.

Third ballot: Baltimore, 12; Elmira, 10.

Baltimore having received the highest number of votes, was declared the place of holding the next annual convention of the Grand Division.

Committee on Constitution made the following report:

Your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws respectfully submit the following, viz.: That in all cases of appeal it shall be the duty of the R. S. of the sub-division, to enter the charge in full upon the records of his journal, and all the evidence bearing directly upon the question, and that he shall transmit a transcript of said proceedings to the G. D.—if it be in session, if not then to the G. C. C., in chambers—for a decision, which decision shall be final, until the meeting of the G. D. [Section 7, Article 5.]

In case a member shall be expelled from any sub-division, the R. S. thereof shall notify the Superintendent of the road upon which the expelled member may be employed, stating the cause for which he was expelled. The R. S. shall also notify the G. R. S., under seal of the division, of such expulsion, giving the cause therefor, who will upon receipt of such information, proceed to notify all sub-divisions, in accordance with law.

Respectfully,

S. McELROY,
R. B. STEVENS,
E. H. THOMAS,
F. McANNEY,
GEO. ROBERTSON,
Committee.

Motion by Bro. Cruzen to accept the report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion by Bro. Parsons to amend by striking out the words "to notify the Superintendent of the road on which the expelled member may be employed." Amendment carried.

Amended by Bro. McElroy to notify Superintendent that the brother has been expelled when the cause is drunkenness.

On motion of Bro. McElroy, the amendments to the Constitution be accepted. Carried.

The following was offered by Bro. Carothers :

Resolved, That there be a District Deputy Grand Chief Conductor appointed by the Grand Chief Conductor, whose duty shall be to organize new divisions, and give instructions in all the workings of divisions, they applying to him for either of the above named information, and that the expenses of so doing be paid by the division organizing or receiving such instruction, as he has power to give and they wishing to receive.

On motion of Bro. Carothers the resolution was adopted.

On motion of Bro. Cruzen, the G. D. proceed to the installation of officers. Carried.

The officers were then installed by Bro. J. W. Silsbee, P. G. C. C., and took their places.

On motion of Bro. McElroy, the Grand Division adjourned until 9 A. M., November 8.

9 A. M., Nov. 8, 1873.

G. C. C. called the G. D. to order, and declared open for business.

On motion of Bro. Packard the charter of Bowling Green Division, No. 7, was declared forfeited for non-compliance with the Constitution.

The following communication was received from Bro. G. Z. Cruzen :

PITTSBURG, Pa., Nov. 6, 1873.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Division of Conductors' Brotherhood :

It is with the highest regard, both for you as a body and for the interest that, I hope, I shall ever retain for the individual members—in their financial affairs as well as their social—that I transmit the following to you for your careful consideration. With these views, I therefore recommend that you appoint a committee, and instruct them to draft a suitable address to the officers of the several railroads within the United States, setting forth the need and actual necessity of a more secure guaranty for the protection of railroad employees throughout the present winter, and during the financial panic, which, like a thief in the night, has broken into our homes, and is robbing us and our families of our sustenance.

This address should be gotten up in a mild and conciliatory manner, in the form and spirit of a petition, praying that the companies do not discharge any of their men—men who have families to support—on account of the decrease of the traffic on the several railroads, but that, in such case, they only reduce their time, thereby dividing the business equally between their employees.

I only submit the foregoing as a recommendatory measure, hoping, however, that the subject will be carefully considered prior to your adjournment.

I therefore beg leave to subscribe myself,

Your most humble servant,

G. Z. CRUZEN,

Delegate from Div. No. 8.

On motion of Bro. Falkiner, communication was accepted.

Motion by Bro. Collins that a committee of three be appointed to draft an address in compliance with Bro. Cruzen's communication. Carried.

Bros. Collins, Long and McElroy were appointed as said committee.

Bro. Long submitted the following :

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be tendered to the railroad officials for their courtesies in granting passes to the delegates to the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood. Carried.

Motion by Bro. Falkiner, that a committee be appointed on resolutions. Carried.

Bros. Falkiner, Carothers and Muzzy were appointed as said committee.

The following was offered by Bro. Smith :

Resolved, That this Grand Division attend the ball given by Iron City Div., No. 13, in honor of the Grand Division, to-night, in a body. Carried.

Adjourned till 1:30 P. M.

1:30 P. M., called to order and declared open for business.

Motion by Bro. Packard that the Committee on the Address to Railroad Officials have such time as may, in their judgment, be necessary to prepare said address, and transmit a copy to the G. R. S. for publication and distribution among the railroad officials throughout the United States and Canada. Carried.

Motion of Bro. McElroy, that this Grand Division pay Bro. Joseph Packard one hundred dollars, for services rendered. Carried.

Motion by Bro. Packard, that the Grand Officers send their bills for expenses at this Grand Body, to the G. R. S. for payment. Carried.

Motion by Bro. Falkner, that this Grand Division pay Bro. J. W. Silsbee fifty dollars for his services. Carried.

Committee on Resolutions offered the following, which were adopted:

Resolved, That the Grand Division of the Brotherhood of Railroad Conductors tender our thanks to the Iron City Division, No. 13, for their kind reception of this Grand Body, and for courtesies extended to us during our sojourn in the city.

Resolved, That our thanks be tendered to Division No. 50, Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, for extending to us the free use of their commodious hall for the purpose of holding our convention in.

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to Supt. Unger for his kind attention to the delegates quartered at the Union Depot Hotel, and that we recommend his hospitality to the public.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division are due, and are hereby freely tendered, to the retiring Grand Officers, for the impartial manner in which they have discharged their duties, and the untiring interest they have manifested in the welfare of our Order.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to Iron City Division, No. 13, C. B., and Pittston Division, No. 50, B. of L. E., and to Supt. Unger, of the Union Depot Hotel ; also, recorded in the minutes of the Grand Division of the Brotherhood of Railroad Conductors, and in our monthly journal.

On motion of Bro. Collins, the Grand Division adjourned *sine die*, to meet in Baltimore, Md., on the first Tuesday in November, 1874.

JOSEPH PACKARD, G. R. S.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD
AT THE
SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF BALTIMORE, MD.

NOVEMBER 3, 1874.

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LUTHIER ROSE CARVER.

Grand Senior Conductor.

PROCEEDINGS.

HALL OF DIVISION 15,
BROTHERHOOD OF RAILROAD CONDUCTORS, }
BALTIMORE, MD., November 3, 1874.

Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood met pursuant to adjournment at Pittsburg, Pa., November 7, 1873, and was called to order by Bro. G. Z. Cruzen, G. C. C.

Officers present: G. Z. Cruzen, G. C. C.; M. L. Smith, A. G. C. C.; Joseph Packard, G. R. S.; Wm. L. Collins, G. T.; J. W. Chambers, G. G.; John D. Campbell, G. S.

Minutes of the last annual session ordered read.

On motion of Bro. McElroy that the reading of the minutes of last annual session be dispensed with and the printed proceedings be adopted. Carried.

The G. C. C. appointed the following brothers a Committee on Credentials: D. G. Wylie, J. E. Sweet, M. M. Frame, Wm. R. Davis, and John Ward, who reported favorably upon the following named delegates:

Amboy Div., No. 1, John Ward.
Buffalo Div., No. 2, Wm. Travis.
Hornellsville Div., No. 3, William L. Collins.
Altoona Div., No. 4.
Wyoming Div., No. 5.
Berkeley Div., No. 6, John T. Martin.
Eureka Div., No. 7, W. R. Davis.
Crestline Div., No. 8, R. A. Cruzen.
Elmira Div., No. 9, M. L. Mason.
Mountain City Div., No. 10, Geo. Flurshurtz.
Alleghany Div., No. 11, J. M. Eberline.
Lackawanna Div., No. 12, John W. Silsbee.
Iron City Div., No. 13, S. McElroy.
Cleveland Div., No. 14, G. D. Carothers.
Monumental Div., No. 15, J. E. Sweet.
Newburgh Div., No. 16, J. W. Matlick.
Quincy Div., No. 17, Frank Gilman.
Philadelphia Div., No. 18, G. W. Lewis.
Bloomington Div., No. 19, W. S. Bryant.
Wellsville Div., No. 20, J. D. Campbell.
Lehigh Div., No. 21.

Gate City Div., No. 22, D. G. Wylie.
 Wayne Div., No. 23, J. C. W. Long.
 St. Albans Div., No. 24, C. M. Belknap.
 Freeport Div., No. 25, John Ward, proxy.
 Caldwell Div., No. 26.
 Susquehanna Div., No. 27, L. Kugler.
 Aurora Div., No. 28, Jos. Packard.
 Columbia Div., No. 29, M. M. Frame.
 Empire Div., No. 30, A. Vannaman.

GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

Officers and Members of the Grand Division:

HONORED BROTHERS: In conformity to a custom, which has been established by my predecessors from the organization of the Order, I thus address you: Another year has fled since we last met in grand assembly. The lapse of this brief period brings us together again to recount the joys and sorrows, the pleasures and privations which we have been participants in since we left Pittsburg one year ago, many of which are soon to be dismissed from memory and forgotten; or, at least, to be recounted only as of the past.

In the divine goodness, and through the clemency of an all-wise and benign Creator, we are again permitted to assemble in council, and render an account of our stewardship in the discharge of a humane duty.

We are, through His infinite wisdom, spared to meet here to-day, to deliberate upon the best means to be adopted for the purpose of bringing our organization nearer to perfection, and for the cultivation of brotherly love, charity and benevolence. In entering upon the various duties to-day, in His name, let us all take hold with a willingness, work with zeal and prudence, with clean hands and contrite hearts.

I am proud of the name we have gained throughout the whole country for sobriety and integrity. I have had the pleasure of conversing with the highest officials of different railroads, north, south, east and west, and in all cases have received the greatest encouragement and their highest commendation. Some superintendents have told me that they would prefer Brotherhood men to operate their trains, and in fact would give them the preference.

Our Order, during the past year, has spread a name and fame over a vast territory heretofore unknown: its name is familiar, and its principles fully understood on the greater number of roads throughout the country. Now, as it is marching through the wilderness, let us, by our acts of love and charity, mark the way so plainly that the wanderer as he goes forth will be able to exclaim, "Although a stranger, in a strange land, I have found comfort and friends upon whom I can rely." Our works are winning us the favor of our railroad officials. Sobriety and frugality, aided by true friend-

ship for our brother conductors, is a bulwark around the railroad companies' interests which they are not blind to, and therefore, at this early date our services are being sought after.

Hence, brethren, let us congratulate each other and pledge anew our fealty and devotion to the Conductors' Brotherhood.

Among the passing events since we last met, our beloved circle has been visited by the messenger of death, which entered our midst and broke the circle, and robbed us of some of our dearest and fairest, among whom are our beloved brothers, first : Bro. William Willis, a member of St. Albans Div., No. 24 ; Bro. Geo. E. Helms, of Alleghany Div., No. 11 ; Bro. Wm. J. Holmes, of Wayne Div., No. 23, and Bro. W. T. Cook, of Empire Div., No. 30, of Creston, Iowa. Notwithstanding this chastisement, hard as it seems to be, it is what we must expect from the hazardous employment which we are engaged in ; and in fact this mortality has been less than what might be expected from our numbers. We deeply mourn the loss. However, this visitation is only to remind us of the dangerous incidents which we are hourly encountering, and also of the decree of heaven, "Dust thou art, and into dust thou shalt return," and we all await the inevitable hour.

Life is a vapor that appeareth for a day, then vanisheth away ; or, like the dew-drops in the morning, the sun shines upon them, which beautifies all nature, but the hot rays consume them into vapor and taketh them up to mingle with a different element, and to human vision all seems lost in chaos.

The myriads of the human family that have lived and figured on the earth had their mission to fill : fate, at last, directed their destinies, and they have passed away and sleep with their fathers, and the places that once knew them shall know them no more forever.

We have great reason to bless God for the inestimable blessings—life, health and prosperity in our noble cause—therefore let us render grateful acknowledgments and thanks to Him who holds our destiny in His palm. We should at all times, and in all places, remember our total dependence upon Him, and especially while here, in a holy cause, for the amelioration of the condition of those who need assistance, and ask that His presence and influence may ever guide and endow us with wisdom, so that our deliberations in the labor of "Perpetual Friendship" may be crowned with success.

In entering upon the discharge of the very important duties of Grand Chief Conductor, I was fully impressed with the magnitude and importance of the trust confided to me, and the necessity for strict application to its responsibilities and duties, so that the labors would prove satisfactory to the brethren and reflect credit upon the Order over which I have the honor to preside.

In such discharge of official duty I have endeavored to promote the interest of our Order, and if I have succeeded shall feel amply rewarded.

I may, perhaps, in many instances, have failed. Such failures, be assured, were not from lack of interest or effort, therefore merit your forbearance.

The voluminous correspondence of the past year has been extremely

burdensome, and hence there has been in some instances seeming neglect or delay on my part; but such delay, be assured, has been from no lack of interest, but from lack of time or ill health. I am fully aware that you all fully understand my situation in this connection—the increased labor which I alone was compelled to perform; the organizing and managing a journal in these depressed times, as well as other burdens which hang over me from causes outside of my official duties—these burdens are of a domestic character, which claim a portion of my time, but I have no desire to burden this address with them.

I will here offer a suggestion that whoever gains the high honor of presiding officer and discharges that duty well for one year will have ALL that he can do, and give all his time to that alone. However, I hope that there will be proper means provided here for such officer, whoever he may be.

My official term has, nevertheless, been made pleasant by the kind, courteous and respectful deportment of the brethren, and the old adage, "A year older, a year wiser," is to me aptly illustrated in my own case, for I am pleased to assure you that the moral and social worth of the Conductors' Brotherhood has grown wonderfully in my own estimation, as well as in hundreds of our co-workers, to say nothing of the opinion of the public, and the officers under whom we were placed during the year.

I have been a member of the Order from its infancy—in fact I now recognize some familiar faces in this hall, with whom I labored to found this Order in the year of our Lord 1868, yet during the past year I have been brought in closer contact with the Order and its beneficence, and am confident that I may assert without fear of successful contradiction, that its merits, goodness and greatness are underrated by many of its most steadfast friends and adherents. Our Order is growing as rapid, perhaps, as is wholesome for it. I have exercised great care to have its members fully understand the moral qualifications necessary to become members in the Order. We have established new divisions during the year to the number of seven.

Among some of the most important recommendations which I have to make, are these:

First, That this assembly adopt the new form of ritual which will be submitted to you through Bro. Wm. L. Collins, of Hornellsville Division, No. 3. I deem it actually necessary that there be a change in the secret work of the order.

Second, I call your attention to the insurance which is connected with our Order. There are some important changes necessary to make the system more perfect so as to meet the favor of those whose desire it is to become members.

I also call your attention to our Constitution, and recommend that there be an entire revision of the rules of order. Also call your attention to Sections 1 and 3. Article 3, on page 13 of our Constitution; Section 2, Article 4, and recommend a new section to Section 8, Article 5; also a change in Section 9, Article 10; Section 1, Article 15; Section 2, Article 20,

on page 31 : a change in officers, etc., and to strike out Section 3 of Article 2 on page 32, and when these amendments are taken up I shall make such recommendations as I deem proper.

I further recommend that you send an organizer into the field the ensuing year, and to meet the expenses thereof, and other incidental expenses; I call your attention to the fact that it is necessary to raise some money. Say for this one year you assess every member of our Order \$3 for the furtherance thereof.

This to some, I am fully aware, will seem needless, but I have fully canvassed the whole field, therefore discharge my duty by making such recommendations as I deem just, proper and right. I further call your attention to the matter of giving a more universal support to our journal, and by so doing you will not only assist the publisher, but enable him to give you a better journal, and such a one as this Order should be able to support.

I also suggest that this convention establish certain fixed emblems, which will be the emblems of our Order in all times—such as will be appropriate and instructive—something to divert the human mind, and call it hence to the things necessary to make us more closely adhere to the benefits derived from our association. There are a great many good moral lessons taught in this simple manner.

G. Z. CRUZEN, G. C. C.

Motion of Bro. McElroy that the address of the G. C. C. be referred to a special committee of five. Carried.

Bros. McElroy, Silsbee, Chambers, Carothers and Eberlin were appointed said committee.

The G. C. C. appointed the following named brothers as Standing Committees :

Constitution and By-Laws—J. W. Silsbee, G. W. Lewis, Frank Gilman, Wm. Travis, J. T. Martin.

Finance—J. M. Eberlin, W. S. Bryant, J. D. Campbell, John Ward, M. M. Frame.

Work—Wm. L. Collins, C. M. Belknap, A. Vannaman, S. McElroy, R. A. Cruzen.

Bro. Long offered the following :

Resolved, That all resolutions be handed to the G. R. S. in writing, signed by the brother offering the same. Carried.

Bro. McElroy offered the following.

Resolved, That debate upon all questions be limited to ten minutes, and that no member be permitted to speak oftener than twice upon the same subject unless by unanimous consent of the Grand Division.

Bro. Collins offered the following :

Resolved, That all members of the Order in good standing may be admitted to seats in the convention as visitors. Carried.

Bro. Davis offered the following :

Resolved, That this convention appoint a committee of three for the purpose of extending an invitation to reporters and railroad officials to visit this convention.

Amended by Bro. McElroy, that we invite railroad officials and reporters to visit our convention on Wednesday at 3 P. M. Carried.

Bro. Collins offered the following :

Resolved, That the Grand Division open and close its sessions under the following rule, viz.: Meet at 9:30 A. M. and 2:30 P. M., and close at 12:30 and 6 P. M. Carried.

Closed until 2:30 P. M.

WEDNESDAY, November 3, 2:30 P. M.

Grand Division called to order and declared ready for business.

Bro. Vannaman offered the following :

Resolved, That we change Article 3, Section 1, after the word standing, so as to read: "or has filled said position and subsequently promoted to fill a higher position on a railroad who has had the experience of twelve months in running a train on a line that runs eight or more trains daily, and each division to be the judge what constitutes twelve months experience."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. McElroy offered the following :

"No person shall become a member of the Brotherhood unless he is a man of good moral character, and has had one year's experience as a conductor (each division to be the judge of what constitutes a year's experience). Provided, always, that the applicant shall be in active railroad service at the time of making the application."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Bryant offered the following :

Resolved, That all legislation with regard to our insurance be deferred until Thursday afternoon.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion by Bro. R. A. Cruzeu that the referring of the aforesaid resolution by Bro. Bryant, to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, be reconsidered. Carried.

On motion of Bro. McElroy the resolution of Bro. Bryant was adopted.

Bro. Long offered the following :

Resolved, That no proceedings be published until the committee have reported on the same. Lost.

Bro. McElroy offered the following :

"The standing committees of the Grand Division shall consist of: First, a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws; second, a Committee on Finance; third, a Committee on Work; fourth, a Committee on Printing. Such committees to consist of five members each, except the Committee on Printing, which shall consist of the G. C. C., G. A. C. C., and the G. R. S., and the time of such committees to expire upon the meeting of each annual convention.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Eberlin offered the following :

Resolved, That we endeavor to get up a more suitable charter for the use of the Order. Lost.

Bro. Sweet offered the following :

Resolved—ART. 1. SEC. 1. The officers of each sub-division shall consist of a Chief Conductor, Assistant Chief Conductor, Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, Treasurer, Guide, Inside Sentinel and Outside Sentinel.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. McElroy offered the following :

SEC. 2. ART. 3. "No person shall become a candidate for admission as a member of the Brotherhood (except in case of organizing a new division) until he has been proposed by three members of the division where he wishes to become a member, who shall certify that he is a man of good moral character, and to the best of their belief he will be, if admitted, a worthy member of the Brotherhood."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. R. A. Cruzen offered the following :

Resolved, To amend Article 15 to read as follows : "Such card shall not be granted for a longer time than dues are paid in advance, and to be returned before receiving another."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws

Bro. Eberlin offered the following :

Resolved, That in case a new ritual on degrees is adopted, that we use our present regalias by the addition of an emblem to designate the degrees.

Referred to Committee on Work.

Moved by Bro. McElroy that all Grand Officers be appointed a committee to wait upon the officials of the different railroads centering in Baltimore, also the news reporters, and invite them to visit our Grand Division. Carried.

Bro. Sweet offered the following :

ART. 1. SEC. 2. "That no member shall be eligible to the C. C. chair until he has served one full or unexpired term as A. C. C.; nor to the A. C. C. chair until he has served in some subordinate station."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Bryant offered the following :

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to wait upon the General Superintendents at their next meeting, and lay before them the principles of our Order, and try to make arrangements to have our delegates passed to and from our yearly and special meetings. Carried.

Adjourned until 9:30 Thursday morning.

THURSDAY, November 4, 9:30 A. M.

Grand Division called to order by Bro. Smith, A. G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

The G. R. S. made his report, which was referred to Finance Committee.

Bro. Smith offered the following :

To amend Section 7, Article 5. After the word "employed," add the following : "And also have all expulsions published, and the cause thereof, in *The Conductors' Brotherhood Journal*."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Smith offered the following as a substitute for Section 5, Article 7 :

"Any brother failing or refusing to pay his dues or assessments for the space of one year, shall be expelled from the division of which he is a member, except excused by a two thirds vote of his division."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. M. L. Mason, delegate from Elmira Division, No. 9, presented his credentials, and was admitted to a seat in the convention.

Bro. Matlick offered the following :

Resolved, That all members of defunct divisions, who were in good

standing at the dissolution of their division, shall be granted a withdrawal card on the following conditions :

First, By applying to the nearest division to where they reside, giving satisfactory evidence that they were actually in good standing at the dissolution of their division. Second, If the evidence given be satisfactory to the division, the R. S. shall communicate the fact and circumstance of such case to the G. C. C., signed by himself and the C. C., with seal of the division attached. Third, If the G. C. C. concludes the evidence good and sufficient, he may grant a withdrawal card, to be signed by himself and the G. R. S., with the seal of the Grand Division attached. Fourth, The fee for such card shall be one dollar. Fifth, *Resolved*, That Section 5, Article 4, as adopted at the last Grand Division, be repealed and the foregoing resolution be adopted in lieu thereof :

Bro. George Flurshurtz, delegate from Mountain City Division, No. 10, presented his credentials and took a seat in the convention.

Bro. Bryant offered the following :

Resolved, That the word "suspended" in Section 1, Article 5, be dropped, so as to read, "Every member of the Brotherhood shall hold himself in duty bound to recognize any other member in good standing as a brother, and shall not traduce or slander his character, or willfully or maliciously injure him in any way whatever, on penalty of being expelled from the division."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Bryant offered the following :

Resolved, That Section 4, Article 7, be changed so as to read, "the Grand Division dues must be collected by each sub-division as soon as the amount is determined by the Grand Convention, and each sub-division shall be required to pay Grand Division dues for all members they report in good standing each year.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Davis offered the following :

Resolved, That sub-divisions be requested to keep a book wherein shall be recorded the names of all expelled members of the Conductors' Brotherhood. Said book shall be entitled the "Black Book."

Rules suspended and the foregoing resolution adopted.

Bro. Smith offered the following :

Resolved, That the G. R. S. make out a roll of the officers and members of this Grand Division, and read them after the Grand Division is regularly opened each day, and note the absentees.

Rules suspended and resolution adopted.

Bro. Ward offered the following :

Resolved, That a roll be made and called fifteen minutes after the time set for the opening of this Grand Division, and members not on committees, after that time, will be considered absent and reported as such. Tabled.

Bro. Sweet offered the following :

Resolved, That Article 7, Section 5, read as follows : "Any member failing or refusing to pay his dues or assessments for one year, shall be notified of the amount against him by the F. S., and shall he still fail for the space of one month thereafter, the F. S. shall notify the C. C. in open division, of the same, and the C. C. shall declare such member suspended."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Lewis offered the following :

Resolved, That Section 3, Article 3, be changed to read as follows: "All proposals for membership shall lay over one regular meeting, and the Chief Conductor shall appoint a committee of three to investigate the character, ability and standing of the applicant, none of which shall be members who proposed the candidate, said committee to report at the next regular meeting. All applications must be accompanied by one-half of the initiation fee, the other half to be paid on initiation. The initiation fee not to be less than five dollars.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Long offered the following amendment to Section 4, Article 5, of the Constitution for Sub-divisions :

"Should the committee report against the offending brother, he shall be furnished by the chairman of the committee with a copy of the charges made against him, and notify him to attend the next regular meeting for his trial, at which time the committee shall produce the evidence against him, and the division shall take immediate action in the matter, and should he be found guilty he shall be suspended or expelled from the division.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Committee on Work made the following report:

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE G. D. C. B.: Your Committee on Work respectfully recommend the adoption of the First Degree of the Ritual, which has been offered by Bro. Wm. L. Collins, with the few slight changes that have been made by the committee.

WM. L. COLLINS,

A. VANAMAN.

S. McELROY,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. McElroy that the Report of the Committee on Work be accepted. Carried.

Adjourned until 2:30 P. M.

THURSDAY, November 4, 2:30 P. M.

Grand Division called to order by Bro. M. L. Smith, A. G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

The report of the Committee on Work came up and was thoroughly discussed.

Three o'clock, the hour for open meeting having arrived, the reporters for the Baltimore *American, Sun* and *Gazette*, also Mr. A. J. Fairbank, Agent for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, arrived and were admitted to seats in the convention. Chief Conductor Cruzen in introducing Mr. Fairbank, said, "he was always ready to extend courtesies and the hand of friendship to every honorable and upright man. Mr. Fairbank had begun at the lower round of the ladder, and had advanced until he now held a position not only honorable but lucrative."

Mr. Fairbank, in reply, expressed his thanks for the invitation to be present, and also conveyed the thanks of Mr. Sharp, Master of Transportation, who was prevented from being present in consequence of pressing business matters. He said he was gratified to see so many pleasant faces; there were men there of intellect, good sense, and bone and sinew. The position held by them as conductors was one of vast responsibility. The Brotherhood tended to the advancement of the morals of society. He said he had commenced as a brakeman, and was a conductor for about twelve years. Mr. Sharp had directed him to say that if the members desired to go to Washington a special car would be at their disposal.

Bro. McElroy offered a resolution, which was adopted, tendering the thanks of the body to Mr. Sharp and Mr. Fairbank, for kindness shown the members, and for extending the invitation to visit Washington.

Committee on Constitution and By-Laws made the following report, which was adopted :

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE G. D. C. B.: Your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws beg leave to make the following partial report, and recommend the adoption

Section 1, Article 2. "No person shall become a member of the Brotherhood unless he is a man of good moral character, and has had one year's experience as a conductor, (each division to be the judge of what constitutes one year's experience,) provided, always, that the applicant shall be in active railroad service at the time of making the application."

Article 5, Section 2. "The Standing Committees of the Grand Division shall consist of—

First—A Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Second—A Committee on Finance.

Third—A Committee on Work.

Fourth—A Committee on Printing.

Such committees to consist of five members each, except the Committee on Printing, which shall consist of the G. C. C., the A. G. C. C. and the G. R. S., and the term of such committees to expire upon the meeting of each annual convention."

Article 3, Section 2. "No person shall become a candidate for admission as a member of the Brotherhood (except in case of organizing a new division), until he has been proposed by three Conductors of the division where he wishes to become a member, who shall certify that he is a man of good moral character, and, to the best of their belief, he will be, if admitted, a worthy member of the Brotherhood."

J. W. SILSBEE,
GEO. W. LEWIS,
W. TRAVIS,
F. GILMAN,
J. T. MARTIN,
Committee.

Bro. Sweet offered the following :

Resolved, That Section 4, Article 5, should be amended "should charges be preferred against a brother for drunkenness, or should the knowledge of a brother being guilty of the same be known to the C. C., he shall appoint a committee of five to investigate the charges at once and report as soon as possible, and should the charge be sustained, the offending brother shall be expelled."

Motion by Bro. McElroy to lay the resolution on the table. Carried.
Bro. Vannaman offered the following :

Resolved, That we change the time of meeting of the Grand Division to the first Tuesday in September.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.
Bro. Wylie offered the following :

Resolved, That the G. C. C. be allowed a salary of two thousand dollars per year, and be required to visit as many of the subordinate divisions as he deems proper, in connection with publishing the CONDUCTORS' JOURNAL, and that the G. R. S. be allowed a salary of seven hundred dollars a year for his valuable services rendered the organization.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.
Bro. McElroy offered the following :

Resolved, That all matters contained in our present Constitution, from page 31 to 41, inclusive, be stricken out.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Martin offered the following :

To amend Section 5, Article 5, by striking out the words "fined and suspended."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Martin offered the following :

To amend Section 4, Article 2. "The G. R. S. shall keep a true record of the proceedings of the Grand Division, receive all applications for charters, and sign the same, when granted, to sub-divisions. He shall keep a correct list of sub-divisions, their officers and members, and shall receive all money due Grand Division from sub-divisions, and other services, and give receipt for the same. He shall turn over all money to the treasurer and take his receipt for the same ; make out an annual report of the workings of the Brotherhood and submit the same to the Grand Division, and at the end of his term of office, he shall deliver up to his successor in office all books, etc., belonging to the Grand Division, and shall receive such compensation as the Grand Division may determine."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Sweet offered the following :

Resolved, To strike out the latter clause of Section 1, Article 15, in regard to members obtaining cards who are in the traffic of liquor.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. McElroy offered the following :

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division is due, and is hereby tendered to the Master of Transportation of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and his able assistant, A. J. Fairbank, for the kindness extended to delegates attending this convention traveling over their line ; also for the invitation extended to the Grand Division to visit Washington, and placing a special car at their disposal for that purpose. Adopted.

Bro. Bryant offered the following :

Resolved, That the G. C. C. be the editor of the JOURNAL and Organizer, and shall be required to devote his entire time to the interests of the Order ; also that the JOURNAL be considered the property of the Brotherhood and not of any individual, and the proceeds thereof shall go into the funds of the Grand Division.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Closed until 9:30 A. M.

FRIDAY, November 5, 9:30 A. M.

Grand Division called to order by the G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

The new ritual was taken up and thoroughly discussed, and on motion of Bro. McElroy, was adopted.

The Committee on Finance made the following report :

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood, now Assembled in Baltimore, Md.:

We, the undersigned Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following report :

After having examined the books of the Grand Recording Secretary, we find them to correspond with the report of the G. R. S.

We would respectfully recommend that the amount of \$75 be paid to the Grand Chief Conductor, and \$100 to the Grand Recording Secretary, for services rendered during the past year. We would further recommend that the Grand dues be fifty cents for each member, for the ensuing year.

On motion of Bro. Carothers, the report of the Committee on Finance was adopted.

The Committee on Constitution and By-Laws made the following report :

To the G. C. C., Officers and Members of the G. D. C. B.:

Resolved, That Section 3, Article 3, be changed to read as follows :

"All proposals for membership shall lay over one regular meeting, and the Chief Conductor shall appoint a committee of three to investigate the character, ability and standing of the applicant, none of which shall be members who proposed the candidate. Said committee to report at the next regular meeting. All applications must be accompanied by one-half the initiation fee; the other half to be paid on initiation. The initiation fee not to be less than five dollars."

Resolved, "That sub-divisions be required to keep a book wherein shall be recorded the names of all expelled members of the Conductors' Brotherhood; said book to be entitled the 'Black Book.'"

J. W. SILSBEE,
GEO. W. LEWIS,
WM. TRAVIS,
F. GILMAN,
J. T. MARTIN,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. McElroy that the report of the Committee be adopted. Carried.

Special Committee on G. C. C. made the following report :

To the Officers and Members of the G. D. C. B.:

Your Committee on the G. C. C.'s address beg leave to submit the following :

First, That it be spread upon the minutes and printed with the proceedings of the Grand Division.

Second, That we conform to the recommendations contained therein, except that portion referring to making an assessment upon the membership for the purpose of placing an organizer in the field.

Respectfully submitted,

J. M. EBERLIN,
J. W. SILSBEE,
J. W. CHAMBERS,
G. D. CAROTHERS,

Committee.

Bro. Smith offered the following :

Resolved, That our Constitution be indexed.

Moved by Bro. McElroy, that the rules be suspended in order to adopt Bro. Smith's resolution. Carried.

On motion made and carried, Bro. Smith's resolution was adopted.

Bro. McElroy offered the following :

To amend Section 2, Article 2, Constitution of Grand Division, after the words in case of a tie, insert "shall appoint all committees not otherwise provided for." After the word "charter" insert "dispensations."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws :

Moved by Bro. McElroy, that all resolutions on change of our Constitution and By-Laws, be handed in to-day by 6 P. M.

Moved by Bro. Carothers, that we suspend the rules and adopt the resolution. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Smith that the resolution be adopted. Carried.

The G. C. C. declared the Grand Division closed until 2:30 P. M.

FRIDAY, November 5, 2:30 P. M.

Resolution by Bro. Long :

"That this Grand Division accept the invitation of Mr. Sharp, Master of Transportation of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and name Saturday as the day, at 7:30 A. M."

Motion made and carried, that the rules be suspended and adopt Bro. Long's resolution. Carried.

Resolution by Bro. Travis :

"That the officers of sub-divisions shall consist of Chief Conductor,

Assistant Chief Conductor, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Senior Conductor of Ceremonies, Junior Conductor of Ceremonies, Inside Sentinel, Outside Sentinel and Chaplain."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion by Bro. Long, that we suspend the rules and go into Committee of the Whole, for the purpose of taking up the by-laws governing the insurance. Carried.

Bro. Silsbee was elected chairman of the committee.

Resolution by Bro. Long :

"That all that part of Article 2, after the words 'Conductors' Brotherhood,' be stricken out."

On vote, motion lost.

Motion of Bro. McElroy, that the Committee of the Whole arise, and that the Grand Division resume its sessions. Carried.

Resolution by Bro. Long :

That the words "manual labor" be stricken out, and "performing the duties of a conductor," be substituted.

By mutual consent the rules were suspended for the purpose of acting on the by-laws of the insurance.

Resolution by Bro. Martin :

To strike out articles 14 and 15.

Bro. Silsbee moved its adoption. Carried.

Resolution by Bro. Chambers :

To strike out "Corresponding" and "Recording.

Amended by Bro. Sweet to strike out the whole article. Carried as amended.

Resolution by Bro. Carothers :

That the word "two" be stricken out and the word "three" inserted.

Laid on the table.

Resolution by Bro. Bryant :

That the date in Article 19 be changed to December 1, 1874. Carried.

Resolution by Bro. Martin :

That the by-laws to govern conductors' insurance be adopted as amended.

On motion of Bro. Long, carried.

Bro. McElroy offered the following :

After the words R. S., insert "shall furnish the division to which the offending brother belongs a copy of the charges, together with all the evidence collected and bearing upon the case; and upon the receipt of the same, the division to which the offending brother belongs shall proceed to try the brother in accordance with law."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

The following was offered by Bro. McElroy :

Resolved, That the G. C. C. and the G. R. S. be and are hereby authorized to have the Grand Division of the C. B. made an incorporate body by the Congress of the United States, (and in case of failing,) to have the seal copyrighted in the Clerk's office of the United States District Court.

Moved by Bro. Smith that we suspend the rules and adopt the resolution. Carried.

Resolution by Bro. Bryant :

"That sub-divisions shall be required to pay Grand dues for such members only as they have in good standing at the time of making out their report."

Bro. Carothers moved that we suspend the rules and adopt the resolution. Carried.

On motion to adopt the resolution, lost.

Resolution by Bro. Matlick :

"That the words from G. D., be stricken out of Section 3, Article 15."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

The Grand Recording Secretary made the following report :

To the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood :

Your Grand Recording Secretary begs leave to make the following report of the Conductors' Brotherhood Insurance, for the year commencing November 1, 1873, and ending November 1, 1874 :

Whole number of members in the insurance.....	156
Whole amount received.....	\$33.85
Whole amount paid out.....	13.50
Balance on hand.....	\$20.35

Resolution by Bro. Long :

"That all official business transmitted from the office of the Grand Division to sub-divisions be under the seal of the Grand Division."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

The Committee on Work made the following report :

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood :

Your Committee on Work beg leave to recommend the adoption of the second degree of the ritual, as offered by Bro. Wm. L. Collins.

WM. L. COLLINS,
R. A. CRUZEN,
C. M. BELKNAP,
A. VANNAMAN,
S. McELROY,

Committee.

Motion by Bro. McElroy to adopt the report of the Committee on Ritual, second degree. Carried.

Bro. McElroy offered the following :

To amend Section 3, Article 4. After the words "Grand Division" insert "or the G. C. C.;" and after the word "attached," insert "it shall be the duty of the above named officers to grant such card, after the same has been applied for in due form."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. McElroy offered the following :

To amend Section 4, Article 4. "He shall upon receipt of such information, appoint a member of the Order in good standing, to receive from such demoralized division or any of its members all books and papers and property belonging to said division, and at the earliest possible moment, and forward them to the G. C. C. or G. R. S."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

A number of resolutions were handed in and referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, without reading.

Grand Division closed until 9:30 Saturday morning, November 6, 1874.

SATURDAY, November 6, 9:30 A. M.

Grand Division called to order by the G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

Resolution by Bro. McElroy :

"That the present Grand Officers be re-elected by acclamation for the ensuing year."

Motion by Bro. McElroy to adopt, on vote, lost.

The Committee on Constitution and By-Laws made the following report :

To the G. C. C., Officers and Members of the Grand Division of the Brotherhood of Railroad Conductors :

Your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws beg leave to make their final report.

Motion by Bro. McElroy to adopt the report of Committee, and that it be read section by section. Carried.

After being read, was adopted except in the names of officers, where the word Chaplain occurs, it be stricken out and insert Past Chief Conductor. Also the resolution requiring all the official business between the Grand Officers and sub-divisions be under seal of the Grand Division be stricken out. Also amend Section 1, Article 12.

The Committee on Constitution and By-Laws made a recommendatory report, and was adopted for the consideration of this Grand Division, except Section 1, Article 2, being amended, and as amended, was adopted.

The following is the report of the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, as acted on by the Grand Division :

Resolved, To strike out the latter clause of Section 1, Article 15, in regard to members obtaining cards who are in the traffic of liquors. Adopted.

Resolved, That all matter contained in our present Constitution from page 31 to 41, inclusive, be stricken out. Adopted.

Resolved, Article 2, Section 2, Constitution, after the words "in case of a tie," insert "shall appoint all committees not otherwise provided for." After the word "charters," insert "dispensations." Adopted.

Resolved, That the officers of subordinate divisions shall consist of Chief Conductor, Assistant Chief Conductor, Recording Secretary, Treasurer, Senior Conductor of Ceremonies, Junior Conductor of Ceremonies, Inside Sentinel, Outside Sentinel, and Past Chief, whose duties are defined in the ritual. Adopted.

Resolved, That the words, "from Grand Division," be stricken out, in Section 3, Article 15. Lost.

Resolved, That all official business transmitted from the officers of the Grand Division to sub-divisions, be under the seal of the Grand Division. Lost.

Resolved, Section 1, Article 12, that instead of three black balls, one black ball will reject the candidate. Lost.

Resolved, Section 3, Article 6, after the words "R. S.," insert "shall furnish the division to which the offending brother belongs, a copy of the charges, together with all evidence collected and bearing on the case, and upon receipt of the same, the division to which the offending brother belongs shall proceed to try the brother in accordance with law." Adopted.

Resolved, That the fee for the second degree shall not be less than two dollars. Adopted.

The following resolutions are recommended by the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, for the consideration of the Grand Division:

Resolved, To amend Section 1, Article 2. The officers of the Grand Division shall consist of a Grand Chief Conductor, Grand Assistant Chief Conductor, Grand Recording Secretary, Grand Treasurer, Grand Senior Conductor of Ceremonies, Grand Inside Sentinel, Grand Outside Sentinel, and Grand Past Chief Conductor. Adopted.

Section 6, Article 2. Strike out the words "Grand Guide," and insert the words, "Grand Senior Conductor of Ceremonies." Adopted.

Resolved, That in Section 7, Article 2, insert after "Grand," the word "Inside." Adopted.

The Grand Outside Sentinel shall have charge of the outer door, shall see that brothers clothe themselves in proper regalia before entering the division room, and perform such other duties as the Grand Chief Conductor may require. Adopted.

To amend Section 5, Article 2, by inserting the words "two hundred dollars" after the word "exceeds." Adopted.

To strike out the words, "or foreign countries," in Section 3, Article 1, of Constitution and By-Laws for Grand Divisions.

J. W. SILSBEE,
GEO. W. LEWIS,
W. TRAVIS,
F. GILMAN,
J. T. MARTIN,

Committee.

Motion made to amend Section 2, Article 3. Adopted.

The amendment of Bro. McElroy to amend Section 3, Article 4, which was rejected by the committee, was taken up and adopted.

Bro. Packard offered the following :

Resolved, That the new ritual and Constitution adopted by this Grand Division shall take effect on the 1st day of August, 1875.

Resolved, That this Grand Division order an assessment of three dollars per member on each member of the Conductors' Brotherhood, for the purpose of sustaining *The Journal*. Said assessment to be collected and forwarded to the editor of *The Journal* as soon after official notice has been received as can possibly be done.

Bro. McElroy offered the following as a substitute for Bro. Packard's resolution :

Resolved, That the Grand Division assume the publication of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Journal*, and that G. Z. Cruzen be, and is hereby designated as the editor thereof, and Organizer of New Divisions, and for his services he shall receive a salary not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars per annum, to be paid out of the general fund of the Grand Division, not otherwise appropriated.

Resolved, That in order to increase the revenue of the Grand Division, that subordinate divisions be required to subscribe to the new ritual, and that each member upon whom the new work is conferred, be charged the sum of two dollars for the same, and that all moneys so collected be paid into the general fund of the Grand Division.

Resolved, That all sub-divisions failing or refusing to comply with the requirements of this resolution, shall have their charters suspended until the same has been complied with.

To define the duties of the editor of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Journal* and Organizer of New Divisions :

He shall faithfully perform all the duties pertaining to and devolving upon him as editor of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Journal*. He shall devote his entire time and attention to the interest of the C. B. He shall make out and present to the Grand Division, at each annual session, a full report of all his transactions during the year. He shall turn over to the G. R. S. all money received by him, either for subscriptions or advertisements, (except so much as may be required to pay actual expenses,) taking his receipt therefor. He shall keep a book with the names of all subscribers and advertisers in his office, and said book shall be accessible at any and all times to the Committee on Printing, and for the faithful performance of his duties, he shall give bond in the sum of — dollars. He shall devote all his time (not actually employed upon *The Journal*.) to organizing new divisions of the C. B. New divisions so organized shall pay all expenses pertaining to their organization. He shall visit sub divisions at such times as may be desired by the divisions, for the purpose of instructing them in the unwritten work, and other matters pertaining to the work generally. Sub-divisions so visited shall pay all necessary expenses arising therefrom.

On motion, carried.

Closed until 2:30 P. M.

SATURDAY, November 6, 2:30 P. M.

Grand Division called to order by the G. C. C., and declared open for business.

Amendment by Bro. Long .

Section 4, Article 5, to read as follows : "and should he be found guilty he shall be suspended or expelled." Adopted.

Motion of Bro. Carothers, that we proceed to the election of officers for the ensuing year. Carried.

The G. C. C. appointed Bros. Wylie, Long and Ward as tellers of election.

Nominations for G. C. C.: G. Z. Cruzen, W. L. Collins, M. L. Smith.
G. Z. Cruzen was elected on first ballot.

Nominations for A. G. C. C.: W. L. Collins, M. L. Smith, C. M. Belknap.

M. L. Smith was elected on second ballot.

Nominations for G. R. S.: W. L. Collins, J. Packard, J. C. W. Long.
J. Packard was elected on first ballot.

Nominations for G. T.:
W. L. Collins elected by acclamation.

Nominations for G. C. of C.: G. W. Chambers, A. Vannaman.
G. W. Chambers was elected on first ballot.

Nominations for G. I. S.: A. Vannaman, J. L. Ward, W. S. Bryant.
A. Vannaman was elected on second ballot.

Nominations for G. O. S.: J. L. Ward, Wm. Travis, J. L. Sweet, C. M. Belknap, G. W. Lewis, J. D. Campbell.

J. L. Ward was elected on second ballot.

On motion of Bro. McElroy, "that J. W. Silsbee be declared P. G. C. C. for the present term." Carried.

Nominations for the place of holding the next annual session : Atlanta, Buffalo, Elmira, Cleveland and Burlington.

Atlanta chosen on first ballot.

Motion by Bro. Vannaman "that we suspend the rules and keep in session until we get through the business of this session of the Grand Division." Carried.

Bro. Carothers offered the following :

"That *The Conductors' Brotherhood Journal* become the property of the Grand body, from the 1st day of January, 1875."

Amended by Bro. Martin, "to take charge of *The Journal* on the 1st day of November, 1874." Adopted as amended.

The following by Bro. McElroy :

Resolved, That the G. D. apply to sub-divisions through the G. R. S.

for a loan, not exceeding fifty dollars from each, the same to be credited to the accounts of each sub-division as Grand dues. Carried.

The following by Bro. Collins :

Resolved, That all officers of this Grand Division have a vote on all questions, including the elections of Grand Officers. Carried.

The following by Bro. McElroy :

Resolved, That this G. D. adopt Cushing's Manual as its guide in all parliamentary practices. Carried.

The following by Bro. McElroy :

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be instructed to have the new rituals printed at the earliest possible moment. Carried.

The following by Bro. Sweet :

Resolved, That each sub-division be furnished with six rituals. Carried.

Moved by Bro. McElroy, "that we proceed to the installation of officers." Carried.

The G. C. C. appointed Bros. J. W. Silsbee, W. R. Davis and D. G. Wyle as an Executive Committee of Insurance.

The new elected Grand Officers were installed by P. G. C. C., J. W. Silsbee, and took their stations.

Committee on Resolutions made the following report, which was adopted.

Resolved, That our heartfelt thanks are due and are hereby tendered to Thomas B. Sharp, Esq., the able Master of Transportation of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and his able assistants, A. J. Fairbanks and C. M. Heald, for the many courtesies extended and bestowed upon the officers and members of the Grand Division of the C. B., during their session in the city of Baltimore, and all railroad officers generally, who have extended courtesies to delegates attending the session of the G. D.

Resolved, That we further tender our thanks to the officers of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad for their kindness in placing at our disposal a special car, for the purpose of visiting Washington City.

Resolved, That our thanks are hereby tendered to the publishers of the daily papers, for publishing our proceedings, also to the reporters for reporting the same.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to Wm. M. Leland, proprietor of the Eutaw house, for his many kind attentions during our stay with him.

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to the officers and members of

Monumental Division, No. 15, for courtesies shown to the members of the Grand Division during the session.

Resolved, That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to **Mr. J. W. Mooth**, for his kindness in permitting the Grand Division to use his hall free of charge, in which to hold its sessions.

Respectfully submitted by the committee.

(Signed,)

**S. McELROY,
D. G. WYLIE, Jr.,
J. T. MARTIN,
W. TRAVIS,
G. W. LEWIS.**

Bro. Smith offered the following

Resolved, That the Grand Officers present their bills to the G. R. S., at his room in the hotel, for settlement. Carried.

Motion made by Bro. Bryant that this Grand Division adjourn to meet in Atlanta, Ga., on the first Tuesday in November, 1875. Carried.

JOSEPH PACKARD, G. R. S.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD
AT THE
EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION
HELD IN THE CITY OF ATLANTA, GA.,

NOVEMBER 2, 1875.

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CYRUS ADDISON STANCHFIELD.

First Grand Chief Conductor.

PROCEEDINGS.

HALL OF GATE CITY DIVISION, No. 22, CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD, }
ATLANTA, Ga., November 2, 1875. }

Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood met pursuant to adjournment of regular session held at Baltimore, Md., November 3, 1874, and was called to order by Bro. G. Z. Cruzen, G. C. C.

Officers present :

G. Z. Cruzen, G. C. C.
M. L. Smith, A. G. C. C.
Joseph Packard, G. R. S.
Wm. L. Collins, G. T.
J. W. Chambers, G. C. of C.
A. Vannaman, G. I. S.

Bro. O. J. Smith was appointed G. O. S. *pro tem*.

Minutes of last annual meeting ordered read.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13, that the reading of the minutes be dispensed with and the printed proceedings be adopted.

Motion lost.

The minutes were ordered read, but G. R. S. Bro. Packard not having the minute book present, it was ordered that the minutes be read from the printed proceedings, when, after a partial reading, Bro. Morse, in a motion that further reading of the minutes be dispensed with, and that the minutes be referred to a committee of three for examination.

Bros. J. W. Baillet, A. Vannaman and C. S. Wheaton were appointed Committee on Credentials, and reported favorably on the following named delegates :

Amboy Div., No. 1, not represented.
Buffalo Div., No. 2, E. G. Whitman.
Hornellsville Div., No. 3, Wm. L. Collins.
Altoona, Div., No. 4, not represented.
Wyoming Div., No. 5, not represented.
Berkley Div., No. 6, A. S. Chambers.
Eureka Div., No. 7, W. A. Burgett.
Crestline Div., No. 8, A. S. Alexander.
Elmira Div., No. 9, C. S. Wheaton.
Mountain City Div., No. 10, not represented.

Allegheny Div., No. 11, J. M. Eberlein.
 Lackawanna Div., No. 12, Wm. L. Collins, proxy.
 Iron City Div., No. 13, S. McElroy.
 Cleveland Div., No. 14, O. J. Smith.
 Monumental Div., No. 15, W. T. Keith.
 Newburg Div., No. 16, J. M. Bradley, proxy.
 Quincy Div., No. 17, J. C. Wissen.
 Philadelphia Div., No. 18, not represented.
 Bloomington Div., No. 19, W. B. Kerr.
 Wellsville Div., No. 20, M. C. Glenn.
 Lehigh Div., No. 21, not represented.
 Gate City Div., No. 22, James M. Bradley.
 Wayne Div., No. 23, J. C. W. Long.
 St. Albans Div., No. 24, not represented.
 Freeport Div., No. 25, C. E. Cross.
 Caldwell Div., No. 26, not represented.
 Susquehanna Div., No. 27, Lewis Kugler.
 Aurora Div., No. 28, J. T. Fullerton.
 Columbia Div., No. 29, not represented.
 Empire Div., No. 30, C. A. Stanchfield.
 Star Div., No. 31, John W. Surles.
 Keystone State Div., No. 32, J. W. Baillet.
 Scioto Div., No. 33, C. S. McMurry.
 Renovo Div., No. 34, Lewis Kugler, proxy.
 Omaha Div., No. 35, W. H. Morse.
 St. Joseph Div., No. 36, T. P. Kelly.
 Delaware Div., No. 37, F. Shook.

On motion, report was adopted and delegates declared entitled to seats in this convention.

Mr. R. P. Bush, of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and member from Gate City Division, No. 22, arose and delivered to the Brotherhood the following cordial

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

Worthy Grand Chief Conductor, Worthy Officers and Delegates of this Grand Division :

MOST WORTHY BROTHERS—The pleasing duty devolves upon me as the representative of Gate City Division, No. 22, to extend to you our fraternal welcome and express the gratification we all feel in meeting you here to-day. We appreciate the distinction you have conferred upon the Gate City and Division No. 22 in honoring us with your presence upon this occasion, and that your eighth annual convention should be held in our midst. While nature has been disrobed of her greenness and foliage, and the flowers of

our sunny clime have lost their bloom and beauty of the summer hours. yet we trust that you will find our hearts still green and fresh with the hues of friendship, and the fragrance of kindness will be even sweeter to you all than a bank of violets. We at least can hope that in the pure water bubbling from our springs, and the healthful air floating from our mountain tops, you will be fresher and stronger on your return to duty; and if hospitality of the grape mingles its blushes with the purity of the waters, it will only bring a blush of brighter beauty to the cheeks of our friends and attest, with crimson speech, the warm welcome and heartfelt cordiality which awaits you.

But we know amid all the pleasures of the hour you have grave duties to perform. This re-union of hands and hearts reaches out farther than the ordinary observer may contemplate. You are here to counsel and co-operate for the benefit of all engaged in the solemn events of the hour. You are here to elevate and dignify by your presence and actions, the men in whose hands are intrusted the most precious interests of life and property. You are here to establish and regulate the intercourse and association of kindred Brotherhoods in the broad extent of our American country; and in your great enterprise we have the pleasing duty to extend to you upon entering on the discharge of these duties a brother's hand, and open to you a brother's heart, and to express the hope that through reciprocal action we may establish the principles of our beloved Order.

In conclusion, my worthy brothers, permit me to extend to you again, in behalf of Gate City Division, No. 22, Conductors' Brotherhood, a hearty welcome, thrice repeated, and to bid you an earnest and affectionate God speed.

RESPONSE BY G. Z. CRUZEN, G. C. C.

Brother Chief Officers and Brothers of Gate City Division.

Be sure this demonstration awakens no selfish design, no haughty pride in our hearts. Nay, it kindles that ever-burning flame of love and affection for you all. And I must say for myself that my heart swells with gratitude in being thus received. And in behalf of the Grand Division, which I have the honor to represent upon this occasion, permit me, Chief Conductor, to return to Gate City Division, No. 22, our most heartfelt thanks for this kind reception and welcome to the sunny land.

Here, as we approach the garden of America, we meet in the Gate City—the metropolis of Georgia—where nature and nature's God hath formed the earth's crest, suitable for man's desire, beautified it with her crystal fountains, and man,—ambitious man,—imbued with the idea of perfection, has decorated it with his skill. In looking over your city, Brother Chief, the eye surveys the expanse of territory, and in a distance beholds the mountain peaks, mingling their lofty tops with the clouds, and in the center stands your beautiful city, full of enterprise, with her schools and

her churches, with their spires pointing heavenward. But this is not all: there is yet one feature which crowns all. Here before us stand her good people, Gate City Division, No. 22, with open hearts and outstretched arms bidding us welcome! welcome! thrice welcome! to their hospitality. Now, brothers of Gate City Division, I, in behalf of the Grand Division, extend to you all my hand, and in it my heart. Let there be one common home for us all, and the canopy of heaven its arched dome. We are an industrial association. Our interests are as broad as the earth upon which we live, and our hearts warm as the clime in which we meet. Our minds are infused with the hope that our honest toil will be amply rewarded.

'Twas labor over nature,
Gave man his proud control;
It beautified and hallowed
The temple of the soul.

It started foul dissension,
With all its ghastly train;
Put iron in the muscles,
And crystal in the vein.

Then let your chorus echo
From every hill and glen;
The glory of the nation
Is in her working men.

Our onward march through labyrinths of science is led there by labor. The pioneer marched forth with axe in hand, at every step battling his way with savage tribes and wild beasts of prey, felling the giant oaks and clearing away the dense forests. Agriculture followed, and next the citizen and the mechanic, and close behind our stalwart men belting the earth with an iron band, over which the locomotive rushes with lightning speed, dashing onward through forests, over our green prairies, crossing our noble rivers, away to the snow-clad peaks of Sierra's heights, bearing her ponderous load onward to the Pacific coast.

There we behold our beautiful ships floating gracefully upon the bosom of the waters, waiting to take the products of toil to the marts of the world. We are here to-day in health, surrounded with the luxuries of life, in the midst of our friends. But how varied is life! Perhaps some one in this hall may be a martyr before another day's sun casts his rays over this beautiful city. Many of our profession have been martyrs to their calling. Their mangled, bleeding frames have been borne off to that silent resting place—the city of the dead—and the little grass-covered mound is carelessly passed beyond his memory. The granite and marble sleep in the silent earth, and no hand hews it into shape for the purpose of memorializing the spot of the brave martyr who gave his life to the railroad. Thus he lies until the earth shall be judged and give up her dead.

The organization is and should ever be bound together by the most

sacred ties. The cord that holds us together is one of beauty and grandeur. It is the pure golden strand of "Perpetual Friendship;" it should be linked and knitted in inseparable connection with that sublime truth and beautiful rule laid down in Holy Writ, "Whatsoever ye would that man should do to you, do ye even so to them." Virtue is the rule by which our lives should be governed, for in fact the good alone are great. Virtue can never die; it is soul-inspired, infinite and emanates from God.

Green leaves will fade. Monuments of our skill will fall. The clash of arms will cease to be heard. The weapons used in battle shall be broken, and the music of the poet's lyre shall be no longer heard, yet virtue will stand high above them all; and thus our motto would be our support in age, our honor in manhood and the guardian of our youth.

Adjourned until 2:30 P. M.

HALL OF GATE CITY DIVISION, No. 22, }
November 2, 2:30 P. M. }

Convention met as per adjournment and was called to order by G. Z. Cruzen, G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

J. T. Fullerton presented his credentials as delegate from Division No. 28, and was admitted to his seat in the convention.

Resolution by Bro. McMurry, of Division No. 33:

That all visiting brothers and members of Gate City Division be admitted to seats in this convention. Carried.

Motion by Bro. Kerr, of Division No. 19:

That Bro. Long be appointed Secretary *pro tem*, while the G. R. S. makes out his annual report. Motion lost.

Motion of Bro. Kerr, of No. 19:

That Bro. McMurry act as Secretary *pro tem*. Carried.

Motion by Bro. Vannaman, of No. 30:

That no brother be permitted to speak more than twice on any one subject without consent of the Division, and not longer than ten minutes at a time on any subject. Motion carried.

Resolution by Bro. Kerr, of No. 19:

That the sessions of this convention be opened at 9:30 A. M. and 2:30 P. M., and be closed at 1 P. M. and 6 P. M. Carried.

Resolution by same:

That in opening and closing the Grand Division Atlanta time be adopted as standard time. Carried.

Resolution by Bro. O. J. Smith, of No. 14 :

That the Grand Recording Secretary call the roll of officers and members at the opening of each session, and the absentees be noted as such on our minutes. Carried.

Resolution by Bro. Collins, of No. 3 :

That all resolutions affecting the labor of the different standing committees be read and handed to the chairman of the proper committee on or before Thursday, November 4, at 1 o'clock P. M., and that the standing committees make no report until their final one. Carried.

The G. C. C. appointed the following standing committees :

On Constitution and By-Laws--McElroy, Kerr, Fullerton, Keith, Eberlein.

On Finance—Bradley, McMurry, Kugler, Stanchfield, Whitman.

On Work—Collins, Burgett, Morse, Chambers of No. 6, and Shook.

Resolution by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9:

That we require the G. R. S. to pay over to the Grand Treasurer all money belonging to the Grand Division in order that he (the Treasurer) may make out his report. Carried.

Resolution by Bro. Whitman, of No. 2 :

That the office of Grand Treasurer be abolished and the office of Grand Recording Secretary be known as Grand Recording Secretary and Treasurer, and said officer be required to give bonds for the faithful discharge of his duties.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by same :

That the G. R. S. make out an annual report of all moneys received, for what purpose, and from whom received, and of all moneys paid out and to whom paid and for what purpose, and furnish each sub-division with a copy of the same.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Kerr, of No. 19, offered the following :

Resolved, That the time intervening between the conferring of the first and second degrees shall be one month instead of three months.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

That Article 3, Section 4, of sub-divisions, be amended to read, "One month's probation shall elapse between conferring of the first and

second degrees, unless in case of necessity, when a majority vote of the division may suspend this rule and confer both degrees at the same meeting. The fee of the second degree shall not be less than two dollars."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion of Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That all matter intended for the several committees be referred to them without form, provided there be no objection. Carried.

Motion of Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9 :

That we suspend the rules, and when we adjourn this P. M. it shall be until 7:30 this evening. Carried.

Resolution by Bro. Kerr, of No. 19 :

Resolved, That sub-divisions shall pay Grand dues only on the number of members they report in good standing at the time of making out their annual report.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That the G. R. S. be required to furnish, forthwith, a full and itemized statement of all business transacted by him as G. R. S. Adopted.

Resolution by Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

Amendment to Article 2, adding Section 10.

No Secretary or Treasurer of any sub-division shall be eligible to either the office of G. C. C., A. G. C. C., G. R. S., or G. T., without resigning said office of Secretary or Treasurer of the sub-division from which he may have been elected.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion by Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

That the probation clause of three months be stricken from our ritual. Referred to Committee on Work.

Amendment to Article 3, Section 1, for sub-divisions, by Bro. Kerr, of No. 19 :

That we strike out all that part after the words "one year's experience" (in parentheses) so that it shall read, "No person shall become a member of the Brotherhood unless he is a man of good moral character and has had one year's experience as conductor. Each division to be the judge of what constitutes one years' experience."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

By Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

That, in relation to bonds of officers of Grand Division—Section 1. The G. C. C., the A. G. C. C., the G. R. S., and the G. T., shall be required to give bonds with good and sufficient security for the faithful performance of their respective duties and an honest rendering of their accounts : said bonds to be as follows :

G. C. C., — — dollars.
 A. G. C. C., — — dollars.
 G. R. S., — — dollars.
 G. T., — — dollars.

Said bonds to be placed in the custody of the sub-division from which said officers may have been elected, there to be held against them until their term of office shall have expired, and an order of release be given by the Grand Division ; and they shall be allowed — per cent. on its face as compensation for such bond.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

The Grand Chief Conductor submitted the following report :

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood :

I, as your executive officer, present this as my official report for the last fiscal year, ending this 2d day of November, A. D. 1875 :

The first of my official duties and acts, on my return home from Baltimore, Md., one year ago, was to enter upon the duties of my trust. The first of my acts was to prepare manuscript and make provisions for the publication of *The Journal*. I upon my arrival home sought to make arrangements to procure funds to aid me in said enterprise, I having previously made arrangements to pay for *The Journal*, with manuscript up to November, 1874 ; but on my arrival home I learned that our bank, viz. : "The Citizens' Bank," had partially failed, so that the standing of it was placed below par, and its paper was dishonored. Therefore my note made payable at said bank for three hundred (\$300.00) dollars was returned to me in my absence to Baltimore, which fact I was ignorant of until after my arrival home. Thus *The Journals* were not forthcoming, as I had anticipated and promised when at Baltimore. I immediately wrote to our G. R. S. for the promised aid, which I did not receive in time to meet the demand and not until the date hereinafter given in statement of debit and credit. Therefore, owing to the financial crash in my community, it was impossible for me to get the needed aid to forward the publication of said *Journal*, and as I had made a contract for my services for the preceding year, I had no other visible means of raising any money, only from the promised aid of the Grand Division. Hence I waited until it began to come in, and relying

upon these resources I paid out the money as shown in the following schedule; but this resource was cut off at a time when it left matters in the most unfavorable position, and left me powerless.

SCHEDULE OF DEBIT AND CREDIT.

		DR.
1874. The Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood,		
Nov. 7,	To amount voted me for services.....	\$75 00
16,	" 1,000 cards.....	4 00
16,	" Day book and ledger.....	8 00
16,	" 1 box pens.....	1 00
16,	" Oil cloth for table.....	1 60
18,	" Postage stamps.....	1 00
18,	" Coal for office.....	2 00
18,	" Oil and lamp-wick.....	15
19,	" Broom for office.....	25
19,	" Paper, letter-heads and envelopes.....	2 25
23,	" One ream fools-cap.....	4 25
23,	" $\frac{1}{2}$ ream legal cap, @ \$5.00.....	2 50
25,	" One quart Arnold's ink.....	1 00
Dec. 9,	" $\frac{1}{2}$ ton coal for office.....	2 00
9,	" Postage stamps.....	1 00
9,	" Lamp oil.....	10
17,	" Postage stamps.....	50
23,	" Postage stamps.....	1 00
26,	" Lamp oil.....	25
1875.		
Jan. 4,	To Expenses to Cleveland.....	6 50
5,	" Cash paid Robinson.....	150 00
14,	" Postage stamps.....	1 25
17,	" Expenses to Meadville.....	6 00
Feb. 1,	" Three months' salary @ \$125.00 per month.....	375 00
1,	" Three months' office rent, @ \$5.00.....	15 00
4,	" Postage stamps.....	50
4,	" $\frac{1}{2}$ ton coal for office.....	2 00
3,	" Oil for lamp.....	10
8,	" Postage stamps.....	50
Mar. 1,	" $\frac{1}{2}$ ton coal for office.....	2 00
1,	" One month's salary.....	125 00
1,	" One month's office rent.....	5 00
Total debit.....		\$797 10

CREDIT.

1874.		
Nov. 10.	By subscription to <i>Journal</i>	\$ 1 00
Dec. 19,	" Cash from G. R. S.....	25 00
24,	" Cash from G. R. S.....	25 00
26,	" Cash from G. R. S.....	50 00
30,	" Cash from G. R. S.....	50 00
1875.		
Jan. 1,	" Cash from G. R. S.....	100 00
14,	" Cash for charter, Meadville Division.....	10 00
Feb. 4,	" Cash for charter, Chillicothe Division.....	10 00
4,	" Cash from Bro. Abbott.....	1 00
Total credit.....		\$ 272 00
Salary due for balance of year (8 months, @ \$125).		1,000 00
Total balance due me.....		1,525 10

(Signed.)

G. Z. CRUZEN, G. C. C.

Grand Division adjourned at 6 P. M. until 7:30 P. M.

HALL OF THE GATE CITY DIVISION, }
 November 2, 7:30 P. M. }

Grand Division opened in regular form and declared ready for business.
 Resolution by Bro. Glenn, of No. 20 :

That the Grand Division appoint an Executive Committee, consisting of not less than three and not more than five members, to be chosen from this Grand Body, and this committee be empowered to examine all accounts of the Grand Recording Secretary and Grand Treasurer ; and in case any fraud or misconduct upon the part of any of the Grand Officers of the Conductors' Brotherhood, said Executive Committee shall examine the case, and if, upon satisfactory evidence, any of the said officers are found guilty, they, the said Executive Committee, shall have power to suspend or expel said officers until the meeting of the Grand Division ; this Executive Committee to be chosen from different States, and no two members from any one State.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by same :

That no member or delegate of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood shall be eligible to office in the Grand Division unless he shall be in active railroad service at the time of the election of Grand Division officers.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by Bro. O. J. Smith, of No. 14 :

Resolved, That we abolish the second degree of the new ritual, and adopt the old ritual for the first degree, and the first degree of the new ritual for the second degree, with the necessary alterations to make them harmonize.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by same :

Resolved, That no member shall receive the second degree until he has qualified himself before an Examining Committee in open Division; said qualifications to consist in being thoroughly posted in the work of the first degree.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by Bro. Glenn, of No. 20 :

That sub-divisions, with the consent of the G. C. C., be allowed to hold public installation in case they desire to do so.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by Bro. Chambers, of No. 6 :

That the form of closing the Division in the old ritual be inserted in the new work.

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9 :

That all business be suspended until the G. R. S.' report be received.
Resolution adopted.

Motion made to reconsider the above motion. Motion lost.

Motion by Bro. Baillet, of No. 32 :

That we adjourn. Motion carried.

HALL OF GATE CITY DIVISION, No. 22, }
November 3, 9:30 A. M. }

Grand Division met as per adjournment, was called to order by the G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

Motion by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9 :

That a committee of three be appointed to wait upon the G. R. S. and ascertain if he intends to comply with the request of the Grand Division.
Motion carried.

Bros. Wheaton, Chambers and Surles were appointed said committee.

The committee reported that the G. R. S. signified his willingness to comply with the request of the G. D.

Resolution by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

Resolved, That this Grand Body pay to Bro. Joseph Packard the sum of two hundred and eighteen dollars for services rendered as G. R. S. and expenses, etc., for the year ending with the present session of the Grand Division. Resolution adopted.

The Grand Recording Secretary made his annual report, which was referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT.

ATLANTA, Ga., Nov. 3, 1875.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood:

I beg leave to make the following report for the year commencing November 1st, 1874, and ending October 31, 1875 :

Whole amount of money received.....	\$1,390 20
Whole amount of money paid out.....	892 20
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	\$498 00
I have on hand money amounting to.....	\$280 00
I am short	218 00
Whole number of members October 1, 1874.....	751
Whole number of members September 31, 1875.....	774
Increase during the year.....	20
Initiations during the year.....	173
Expelled.....	108
Deaths.....	9
Number of divisions reported.....	30
Number of divisions failing to report.....	4
Number of divisions not working.....	2
Number of divisions surrendering charter..	1

(Signed,)

JOSEPH PACKARD, G. R. S.

To the Officers and Members of the G. D., C. B.:

I beg leave to submit the following report :

ATLANTA, Ga., November 8, 1875.

Received of Joseph Packard, G. R. S., in cash.....	\$268 00
Receipt from Joseph Packard, for services, expenses, etc....	218 00
Receipt from Crestline Division, No. 8.....	12 00
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	\$498 00
Amount of receipts.....	230 00
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Cash on hand.....	\$268 00

Respectfully,

WM. L. COLLINS, G. T.

Bro. Morse, of No. 35, made the following charges against Bro. G. Z. Cruzen, G. C. C.:

Charge 1. In defrauding the subscribers of *The Brotherhood Journal* out of four monthly installments for which they had paid.

Charge 2. In failing to perform the duties devolving upon him as G. C. C., and by obtaining money under false representations to assist him in continuing the publication of said *Journal*.

Charge 3. For failing to publish the said *Journal* as per agreement with the Grand Division at its annual session held in the City of Baltimore, Md., November, 1874, and for other misdemeanors in office.

Bros. Wheaton, Keith, Long and McElroy joined Bro. Morse in preferring the charges.

Bro. Cruzen vacated the chair, which was filled by A. G. C. C. Smith, who presided during the investigation.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That the rules be suspended and the Grand Division proceed immediately to investigate the charges against Bro. G. Z. Cruzen. Motion Carried.

Motion by Bro. Collins, of No. 3 :

That Bro. McMurry be appointed G. R. S. *pro tem.*, to act in the absence of Bro. Packard, and to assist him in the discharge of his laborious duties. Motion carried.

Resolution by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9 :

That Bros. W. L. Collins, Kugler, Baillet, Kelley, McMurry, Eberlein and Surles be appointed a committee to investigate the charges against Bro. Cruzen.

Bro. McElroy, of No. 13, offered the following as an amendment to Bro. Wheaton's resolution : "That the three last named on the committee be erased and Bro. Cruzen be allowed to substitute three instead." Resolution adopted as amended.

Motion by Bro. Bradley, of No. 22 :

That Bro. Cruzen be furnished with a copy of the charges. Adopted.

Bro. Cruzen appointed as members of that committee Bros. McMurry, Stanchfield and Bradley.

Motion of Bro. Bradley, of No. 22 :

That the authors of the charges furnish the committee a list of their witnesses and that the hall be cleared during the investigation.

Motion by Bro. Vannaman, of No. 30 :

That the above motion be laid on the table. Motion carried.

Motion of Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That the Sentinel close the door and allow no egress until the committee are through their investigation of the charges against Bro. Cruzen, without the consent of the Grand Division. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Fullerton, of No. 28 :

That the investigation of the charges against Bro. Cruzen be made the special order for to-morrow at 9:30 A. M. Motion adopted.

Motion of Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That the Grand Division now proceed with the regular order of business. Motion adopted.

Bro. Baillet, of No. 32, offered an amendment to Article 2, Section 4, and to Section 5, which was referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Morse, of No. 35, offered a resolution designating an emblem of S. C. of C., which was referred to the Committee on Work.

Resolution by Bro. Bradley, of No. 22 :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to interview the editor of *The Constitution* in regard to an extract in his paper referring to Bro. Cruzen. Resolution adopted and Bros. Bradley, Stanchfield and Wheaton were appointed said committee.

Bro. Collins, G. T., submitted his report, which was received and referred to the Committee on Finance.

Bro. Vannaman, of No. 30, offered an amendment to Article 2, Section 1, of the Constitution, which was referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by Bro. Collins, of No. 3 :

That a committee be appointed to give the daily papers of Atlanta a revised list of delegates. Carried, and Bros. Collins, Kugler and Surles appointed said committee.

Bro. Morse, of No. 35, offered an amendment to the ritual which was referred to the Committee on Work.

Resolution by Bro. Chambers, of No. 6 :

That all Past Chief Conductors be declared members of the Grand Division.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Kugler, of No. 27, offered an amendment to the key, which was referred to the Committee on Work.

Bro. Glenn, of No. 20, offered an amendment to the Constitution, which was referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Morse, of No. 35, offered an amendment to Article 10, Section 5, which was referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Eberlein, of No. 11, offered a resolution that we adopt a closing service for our new ritual, which was referred to Committee on Work.

Bro. Morse, of No. 35, offered an amendment to Article 10, Section 1, of the Constitution, which was referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. Kelley, of No. 36, offered rules for governing sub-divisions, which were referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

By same :

Amendment to Article 20, Section 2, "This Constitution and the ritual adopted by this Grand Division shall not be subject to alteration or amendment until the next session of the Grand Division, when a two-thirds majority of all delegates present shall be necessary to alter or amend any of the provisions, rules or ceremonies therein contained."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

By Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

Amendment to Section 3, Article 20 : "Section 3 of the Constitution and the ritual as adopted, shall take effect on and after the first day of January, 1876, and any sub-division not adopting or working by the same, shall be liable to a suspension of their charter."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13:

That we adjourn until 2:30 P. M. Motion carried.

**HALL OF GATE CITY DIVISION, No. 22, }
November 3, 1875. }**

Grand Division called to order by Bro. M. L. Smith, A. G. C. C., and declared ready for the transaction of business.

Resolution by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9 :

Resolved, That a committee of not less than three or more than seven be appointed by the Grand Chief Conductor, said committee to be called an Executive Committee ; said committee to have general supervision of the affairs of the Grand Division, examine books of all Grand Officers, and they shall investigate all charges made against any members or officers of the Grand Division, and they shall make a report to the Grand Division at each annual session. No officer of the Grand Division shall be appointed on this committee.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by Bro. Smith, of No. 14 :

Resolved, That we adopt the opening and closing ceremonies of the old ritual.

Referred to Committee on Work.

By Bro. Glenn, of No. 20 :

Resolved, That sub-divisions be furnished with eight copies of the new ritual, instead of six as now allowed.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws :

Resolution by Bro. Kugler, of No. 27 :

Resolved, That we adopt an opening and closing ceremony for the use of the Grand Division.

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution by Bro. Surles, of No. 31 :

Resolved, That we invite the editors and reporters of Atlanta, with their families, to accompany this Grand Division on their excursion to Florida.

Motion by Bro. Vannaman, of No. 30 :

That we suspend the rules and adopt the resolution. Motion carried.

Resolution by Bro. Kerr, of No. 19 :

That we refer the resolution of Bro. Surles to the Committee of Arrangements of Gate City, No. 22. Resolution adopted.

Bro. Kerr, of No. 19, offered an amendment to Article 3, Section 3, of the Constitution, which was referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by Bro. Whitman, of No. 2 :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to extend an invitation to railroad officials of roads centering in Atlanta, the Mayor, Common Council of Atlanta, and the editors and reporters of the various newspapers of the city of Atlanta, to visit our Grand Division at such time and date as the Grand Division may direct.

Motion by Bro. Long, of No. 23 :

That the rules be suspended and the resolution taken up. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Long, of No. 23 :

That we adopt the resolution. Motion carried.

Bros. Whitman, Kugler and Morse were appointed said committee.

Bro. Glenn, of No. 20, offered an amendment to Article 2, Section 1, which was referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

By Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

Resolved, That we strike out of the second degree obligation, commencing on page 37, line 24 from top of page, and ending with the word "rights" in 27th line.

Referred to Committee on Work,

Resolution by Bro. Glenn, of No. 20 :

Resolved, That any member of the Conductors' Brotherhood in good standing shall have the right to appoint any member of his division who will be present at the meeting of said division to vote for him by proxy upon all important questions that may come before the division ; and each and every appointment shall be made in writing, stating the exact time the brother so appointed shall hold said proxy. The notice shall be deposited with the R. S. of said division, and entered upon the minutes of the division. Said notice must be signed by the brother giving the same. No member shall hold or vote more than two proxy votes.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

By Bro. Kugler, of No. 27 :

Resolved, That there be added to the order of business for the governing of sub-divisions the words, "Absence of officers received and acted upon."

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws

By the same :

Resolved, That the words "and property" to be found in the duties of Treasurer in the new ritual be stricken out.

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

Section 7, of Art. 3, Constitution of Grand Division. There shall be an Executive Committee appointed annually who shall have general supervision over the acts of all Grand Officers. They shall have power to suspend or remove any Grand Officer who fails or neglects to perform the duties of his office, and fill his place by appointing some suitable person who is qualified to fill the vacancy thus occasioned until the meeting of the Grand Division. They shall have free access to the books and papers of the Grand Recording Secretary and Grand Treasurer and shall receive and hold in trust (subject to the order of the Grand Division) all bonds executed by the several officers of the Grand Division who may be required to give bonds. Said committee to consist of not more than three, whose term of service shall expire with the closing session of the Grand Division.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

To amend Article 2, Section 4, of the G. D. :

The Grand Recording Secretary shall keep a true record of the proceedings of the Grand Division, and shall receive all applications for charters, and sign the same when granted to such divisions. He shall keep a correct list of sub-divisions and their officers and members and shall receive all moneys due the Grand Division from sub-divisions and from other sources, and give receipts for the same. He shall make out and present to the Grand Division at each annual session a correct report of all business transacted by him, giving a detailed statement of all moneys received and expended, the source from which it came and the object for which it was expended. He shall pay over to the Grand Treasurer all moneys received by him in excess of two hundred dollars, taking his receipt therefor, sign all warrants drawn upon the Treasurer by order of the Grand Division, and at the expiration of his term of office shall deliver all moneys, books, papers, etc., belonging to the Grand Division, to his successor. He shall receive for his services such compensation as the Grand Division may from time to time determine upon, and for the faithful performance of his duties

he shall give good and sufficient bonds in the sum of three thousand dollars.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

By Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

To amend Section 5, of Article 2, Grand Division. The Grand Treasurer shall receive from the Grand Recording Secretary all moneys in excess of two hundred dollars, paid to the Grand Division, giving his receipt therefor. He shall pay all warrants drawn on him by order of the Grand Division or G. C. C., when signed by the G. C. C. and attested by the Grand Recording Secretary. He shall make out and present annually, to the Grand Division, a full report of all moneys received and expended ; and at the expiration of his term of office he shall deliver to his successor all moneys, books, papers and other property pertaining to his office, and perform such other duties as shall be required of him by the Constitution and ritual of our Order. He shall receive for his services such compensation as the Grand Division may from time to time determine ; and for the faithful performance of his duties he shall give good and sufficient bonds in the sum of three thousand dollars.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by Bro. Collins, of No. 3 :

Resolved, That any section, article, word or letter in the Constitution conflicting with any amendment or resolution adopted at this session be declared null and void.

Resolution referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution by same .

That a committee be appointed to draft an entire new Constitution, to be submitted at our next annual session for their action.

Motion by Bro. Long, of No. 23 :

That the rules be suspended and immediate action taken on this resolution. Motion carried.

Motion by the same :

That we adopt the resolution of Bro. Collins. Motion lost.

By Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

Resolved, That the Committee on Work be instructed to change that part of the work relating to the signs, grips and words of the ritual obligation, also change the floor work so as to simplify the same and present the same for ratification by this Grand Division.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That the rules be suspended to adopt the resolution of **Bro. Morse**.
Carried.

Motion by Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

That we adopt the resolution. Motion carried.

By Bro. Bradley, of No. 22 :

Resolved, That the following clause in Article 2, Section 2, be stricken out: "And he shall have power, with the will and consent of a majority of the Grand Officers of the Grand Division, to call a special session at any time during his official term."

Resolved, That the words "from the G. C. C.," in Article 3, Section 3, be stricken out and the words "by a majority of the Grand Officers," be inserted instead.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion of Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That we designate to-morrow afternoon at 5 o'clock for the election of officers.

Motion by Bro. Vannaman, of No. 30 :

To lay the resolution of Bro. McElroy on the table. Motion carried.

Resolution of Bro. Eberlein, of No. 11 :

To change the floor work.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That we adopt the resolution of Bro. Eberlein. Motion carried.

Resolution by Bro. Bradley, of No. 22, relative to the duties of the Past Chief Conductor. Resolution lost.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That we adjourn for supper. Motion carried.

HALL OF GATE CITY DIVISION, No. 22, }
November 4, 1875, 9:30 A. M. }

Grand Division met as per adjournment and was called to order by Bro. M. L. Smith, A. G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

Preamble and resolution by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

WHEREAS, At the last annual session of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood, there were provisions made to publish a journal to be devoted to the interests of the Conductors' Brotherhood; and in order to meet the expenses arising therefrom an assessment of two dollars was made upon each member of the sub-divisions, to be paid into the general fund of the Grand Division, and,

WHEREAS, There has been no expense incurred in consequence of the parties failing to issue the journal as per agreement with the Grand Division; therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Grand Division that no portion of this assessment shall be paid by sub-divisions, and that all money paid into the general fund of the Grand Division on this account be placed to the credit of the sub-division paying the same as per capita tax. •

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13:

That the rules be suspended and the resolution adopted. Motion Carried.

Bro. G. Z. Cruzen, of No. 8, offered the following charges against Bros. A. Vannaman and C. S. Wheaton:

Charge 1. Conduct unbecoming a member.

Charge 2. For violating their obligation.

Charge 3. For treating peremptory orders of the Grand Division with contempt.

Specifications:

1. That on the evening of the 2d day of November, 1875, in the Kimball house, in the City of Atlanta, A. Vannaman and C. S. Wheaton gave publicity touching the character of a brother, instead of first ascertaining the facts in the premises.

2. Said brothers, Vannaman and Wheaton, by disclosing the secret workings of this Grand Division in this: that they both jointly reported certain matters to one S. Small, a reporter of *The Atlanta Constitution*, in violation of their obligations as aforesaid, on the evening of the 2d of November, 1875.

3. That said Vannaman and Wheaton violated and treated a positive order of this session there assembled with utter contempt, and thereby your relator in these premises has suffered an irreparable injury.

Motion by Bro. Collins, of No. 3:

That this Grand Division adjourn until the close of the trial of Bro. G. Z. Cruzen. Motion carried. •

HALL OF GATE CITY DIVISION, No. 22, }
November 5, 1875, 10 A. M. }

Grand Division met as per adjournment and was called to order by Bro. Smith, A. G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

The following preamble and resolutions were offered by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

WHEREAS, There have been charges preferred against Bro. G. Z. Cruzen for failing to discharge the duties devolving upon him as Grand Chief Conductor of the Conductors' Brotherhood, and for failing to issue *The Journal* as per agreement with the Brotherhood, and.

WHEREAS, By the evidence adduced, the charges have been fully sustained, and the said G. Z. Cruzen failing to make good his defence, after having an opportunity to do so, and by his conduct has proven himself unworthy the high honor that has been conferred upon him by the Conductors' Brotherhood : therefore be it

Resolved, That G. Z. Cruzen is no longer worthy to be a member of the Conductors' Brotherhood and is hereby expelled from this Grand Division and *forever* hereafter disqualified from holding any position of honor or trust in the Conductors' Brotherhood.

Motion by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9 :

That immediate action be taken on the resolution of Bro. McElroy. Motion carried.

Motion by the same :

That the resolution as read by Bro. McElroy be adopted. Motion carried.

Motion of Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That the Committee on the Investigation of the Charges against Bro. Cruzen be discharged. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Packard, of No. 28 :

That we adjourn until 2 P. M. Motion lost.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That we extend the time for presenting resolutions until noon to-day. Motion carried.

By Bro. Stanchfield, of No. 30 :

Resolved, That this Grand Division prohibit all members of the Conductors' Brotherhood from using any envelopes or wrappers for transmitting communications by mail having any printing or writing on the same where-

by the same shall be known to be Brotherhood business ; also that all secret work of the Order must be sent by express on regular way-bills, and paid for, thereby insuring the safe delivery to the parties addressed.

Motion of Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That the rules be suspended for the adoption of the resolution. Motion carried.

Motion by the same :

That the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

The Committee on Minutes of last annual session made the following report :

HALL OF G. D. C. B., }
ATLANTA, Ga., November 5, 1875. }

We, the undersigned, Committee on the Minutes, given to us as a copy of the proceedings of the seventh annual session, held at Baltimore, Md., November 2d, 3d, 4th and 5th, 1874: To the best of our information, that the pamphlet read in our hearing is a pamphlet printed by Gifford & Winter, of Parsons, Kan.; that we as a committee cannot report on the pamphlet given us as a true copy of the proceedings of the annual session of the Grand Division, held at Baltimore, Md., on the above dates.

(Signed.)

A. VANAMAN,
C. S. WHEATON,
Committee.

Resolution by Bro. Kerr, of No. 19, pertaining to the first degree of the new ritual.

Referred to Committee on Work.

By Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

"A proposition to establish a monthly magazine, to be called the "*Railroad Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine*."

Resolved, Sec. 1. There shall be published by this Grand Division a monthly magazine to be called "*Railroad Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine*" to be conducted in the interest of and for the benefit of the Conductors' Brotherhood. Its columns shall always be open to their contributions, and no religious or political discussion shall be permitted therein. It shall be published in quarto size and contain not less than fifty (50) pages, and its subscription price per copy shall be \$1.50 per year, in advance. It shall be conducted by a committee of three, consisting of the G. C. C., A. G. C. and the G. R. S. The Grand Chief Conductor to be the chairman of said committee, to whom all communications and moneys must be sent. The said committee shall publish, or cause the same to be published ; and

they shall keep a book wherein the names of all subscribers shall be registered, together with their postoffice address and through what sub-division ordered; said book to be opened at all times to any and all members of the Conductors' Brotherhood. They shall make out and present an annual statement to the Grand Division together with a report of its receipts and expenditures, and shall remit to the Grand Treasurer all moneys received in its interest, except what may be necessary to pay its current expenses, taking his receipt therefor.

SEC. 2. It shall be the duty of all members of the Conductors' Brotherhood to solicit for it subscriptions and patronage to make it self-sustaining and creditable to the Order, and all moneys collected for subscription or otherwise shall be placed in the hands of the Division Secretary, who shall acknowledge receipt therefor and shall cause to be mailed to each subscriber their copy or copies of said journal.

Referred to Committee on Laws.

By Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

Amendment to Article 3, Section 5, Grand Division. To insert after the words, "They shall provide said delegate with proper credentials," as well "as a list of names of members and number of subscribers to the *Railroad Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine*, together with all moneys due the Grand Division," etc.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

By Bro. Collins, of No. 3 :

Resolved, That there be an elective officer for sub-divisions, styled Assistant Recording Secretary.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

HALL OF GATE CITY DIVISION, No. 22,)
November 5, 1875. }

Grand Division opened in regular session at 2:30 P. M., and declared ready for business.

By Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9 :

Resolved, That all members having resolutions or amendments to offer relative to the insurance tender them to a special committee, consisting of three members, before 5 o'clock, this P. M.

Resolution adopted, and Bros. Wheaton, Long, and Chambers of No. 6, were appointed said committee.

Committee on Work made their report.

Motion by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9 :

That the report of the committee be received and laid on the table for future action. **Motion carried**

Motion by Bro. Kerr, of No. 19 :

That the special business of to-morrow morning at 9:30 be the election of officers. **Motion carried.**

Committee on Finance made their report.

Motion of Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That the report be accepted.

Motion by the same :

That the report be referred back to the committee. **Motion carried.**

Resolution by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

Resolved, That in the sense of this Grand Division, Grand Division dues should not be collected from sub-divisions for the number of expelled members for non-payment of Grand Division dues as returned in their annual report of 1875.

Motion by the same :

That the resolution be adopted. **Motion lost**

G. Z. Cruzen presented his bill, amounting to one thousand four hundred and thirty-three dollars and fifty cents (\$1,433.50), which was referred to Committee on Finance.

Bro. Morse, of No. 35, offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this Grand Division attend the morning service of the Cumberland Presbyterians, at Good Templar's hall, on Sunday, November 7, 1875, and that a committee be appointed to wait on the pastor of said hall to insure seats, and that the Grand Division, with all visiting members be requested to form in procession at ten (10) o'clock, A. M., at the Kimball house and march to the hall in the following order:

1. Grand Officers select.
2. Retiring Grand Officers.
3. Delegates.
4. Visiting members.

The procession to be in charge of the G. C. of C., who shall act as marshal. **Resolution carried**

Adjourned until 9:30 A. M., November 6, 1875.

HALL OF GATE CITY DIVISION, No. 22, }
November 6, 1875. }

Grand Division called to order at 9:45 A. M. by Bro. M. L. Smith, A. G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

The hour determined upon for the election of Grand Officers being called, the following named brothers were appointed tellers: Bros. J. M. Bradley, of No. 22; L. Kugler, of No. 27; J. C. W. Long, of No. 23.

Nominations for G. C. C.: Wm. L. Collins, of No. 3; C. A. Stanchfield, of No. 30; J. W. Baillett, of No. 32.

Bro. Collins elected on first ballot.

Nominations for A. G. C. C.: W. H. Morse, of No. 35; J. W. Surles, of No. 31; C. A. Stanchfield, of No. 30; M. L. Smith, of No. 13.

Bro. Stanchfield elected on second ballot.

Nominations for G. R. S.: W. H. Morse, of No. 35; L. Kugler, of No. 27; J. C. W. Long, of No. 23.

Bro. Long elected on first ballot.

Nominations for G. T.:

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13:

That we elect Bro. Bradley by acclamation. Motion carried.

Bro. Bradley was declared duly elected G. T.

Nominations for G. C. of C.: J. W. Chambers, of No. 6; L. Kugler, of No. 27; C. S. Wheaton, of No. 9.

Bro. Wheaton elected on first ballot.

Nominations for G. I. S.: J. W. Chambers, of No. 6; L. Kugler, of No. 27; W. H. Morse, of No. 35; A. Vannaman, of No. 30.

Bro. Morse elected on second ballot.

Nominations for G. O. S.: L. Kugler, of No. 27; C. E. Cross, of No. 25.

Bro. Kugler elected on first ballot.

Bro. Collins, of No. 3, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That inasmuch as we have no P. G. C. C., that this Grand Division unanimously declare Bro. M. L. Smith P. G. C. C. for the ensuing year.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13:

That the resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

Nominations of places for holding the next Grand Division: Omaha, Nebraska; Elmira, New York.

Omaha receiving a majority of all votes cast, was declared the place for the meeting of the next Grand Division.

The A. G. C. C. declared the installation of officers next in order.

The officers-elect were duly installed and took their seats.

Motion by Bro. Kerr, of No. 19 :

That the reporters of the press be furnished with such part of our proceedings as may be of general interest to the public. Motion carried

Motion by Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

That a committee of three be appointed to draft resolutions of thanks to the railroad officials, express officials, citizens of Atlanta, members of Gate City Division No. 22, representatives of the press and all others at whose hands we have received courtesies.

Motion carried, and Bros. Morse, McElroy and Vannaman were appointed said committee.

Motion of Bro. Bradley, of No. 22 :

That the papers presented by Bro. Morse from the mayor, Merchants' Club, and the railroad officials of Omaha, inviting the members of this Grand Division to hold their next annual session in Omaha, be spread upon the minutes. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Cross, of No. 35 :

That we pay Bro. Packard fifteen dollars for services as G. R. S. during this session. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Morse, of No. 35 :

That we now proceed to the election of an Executive Committee. Motion carried.

Bros. McElroy, Surles and Fullerton were elected said committee.

Committee on Constitution and By-Laws made their report and upon motion of Bro. McElroy of No. 13, was accepted.

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood:

BROTHERS: Your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws respectfully beg leave to herewith submit their report upon the subject matter referred to them for consideration. We report in favor and recommend the following propositions, viz.:

1. Amendment to Article 20, Section 2.
2. To amend Article 12, Section 1.
3. To amend Article 20, Section 3.

4. To amend Article 3, Section 4.
5. Substitute for Section 4, Article 7.
6. To amend Article 4, Section 4
7. To amend Article 2, Section 5.
8. To amend Article 3, Section 7.
9. To change the order of business for sub-divisions.
10. Article 20, Section 4. (New.)
11. To establish a Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine.
12. To amend Article 3, Section 5.

Your committee would most respectfully submit the above for your favorable consideration.

[Signed.]

S. McELROY,
J. T. FULLERTON,
W. B. KERR,
J. M. EBERLEIN,
W. T. KEITH,

Committee.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That the report be accepted and adopted as read. Motion carried.

By Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

Resolved, That W. H. Morse be and is hereby designated editor of *The Railroad Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine* at an annual salary of five hundred dollars, and for the faithful performance of his duties he shall give bonds in the sum of two thousand dollars, with good and approved security. Resolution carried.

Resolution by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be tendered to Capt. D. G. Wylie, R. W. Wrenn, general passenger and ticket agent of the Western and Atlantic Railroad, and to the Southern Sleeping Car Co. for favors extended this Grand body. Resolution adopted.

By Bro. Fullerton, of No. 28 :

Resolved, That a D. G. C. C. be appointed by the G. C. C. for each State, whose duties shall be to institute new divisions, instruct old divisions in the workings of the Order and perform such other duties as the G. C. C. may direct. Resolution adopted.

Resolution by Bro. W. H. Morse, of No. 35 :

Resolved, That to augment the number of members in our insurance association, it shall be the duty of all Chief Conductors to keep the matter

of insurance before their respective divisions and use all their influence to further the same. Resolution adopted

Substitute for Article 9, Insurance, by Bro. Long, of No. 23 :

When the death of a member of this association occurs, the R. S. of this division shall transmit to the G. C. C. and G. R. S. a report of such death, signed by two members of the insurance association, in good standing, together with the certificate of a physician or coroner, stating cause of death. He shall also give the name and residence of the widow or heirs of the deceased, to whom his insurance is payable. Upon this information the G. C. C. and G. R. S. shall order all the division secretaries to draw from the division treasury the sum of one dollar for each member of the division that is insured. The R. S. shall immediately forward to the R. S. of the division where the deceased brother was a member at the time of his death, the full amount of insurance due, and the R. S. of the division where the deceased brother was a member shall forward immediately under seal of his division a proper receipt for the same. The R. S. receiving money for the widow or heirs of a deceased member shall, upon payment of said money, take a proper receipt for the same, and place it on file in his division. Immediately after making an assessment the R. S. will collect one dollar from each member of the association and deposit it in the division treasury, subject to the next call of the G. C. C. and G. R. S. All money to be forwarded by check, draft, or postoffice order. Amendment adopted.

Bill of ten dollars from T. G. Gresham for services as janitor was received and ordered paid.

ATLANTA, Ga., November 6, 1875.

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers:

We, the Committee on Finance, beg leave to submit the following report. We find the report of the G. R. S. and G. T. correct, according to the books and papers placed in our hands. In addition to the secretary's report we find, according to his accounts with subordinate divisions, the following divisions indebted to the Grand Division, as follows, viz.:

Mountain City Div., No. 10.....	\$1 50
Berkley Div., No. 6.....	8 05
Altoona Div., No. 4.....	2 00
Iron City Div., No. 13.....	50
Grafton Div., No. 16.....	50
Elmira Div., No. 9.....	40
Allegheny Div., No. 11.....	10
Amboy Div., No. 1.....	5 00
St. Joseph Div., No. 36.....	25

We also find the following divisions have the annexed amounts in their favor :

Monumental Div., No. 15.....	\$ 8 55
Lackawanna Div., No. 12....	2 00
Bloomington Div., No. 19.....	1 10
Gate City Div., No. 22.....	22 00
Buffalo Div., No. 2.....	4 45
Cleveland Div., No. 14.....	4 50
Quincy Div., No. 17.....	8 60
St. Albans Div., No. 24.....	12 00
Eureka Div., No. 7.....	6 50
Susquehanna Div., No. 27.....	33 00
Empire Div., No. 30.....	13 70
Renovo Div., No. 34.....	10 50

We recommend an assessment of fifty cents per member to pay the expenses of the Grand Division the ensuing year. We make no recommendation of salary for Grand Chief Conductor and Grand Recording Secretary, owing to the fact that we do not know what duties the Grand Division will require of them. We would respectfully submit the following regarding our late G. C. C. :

After looking over the accounts rendered against this G. D. by the late Grand Chief Conductor, G. Z. Cruzen, we recommend that he be paid thirty-three dollars and fifty cents to cover his expenses while attending this Grand Division, and we further recommend that no more salary be paid him than he has already received for services, etc.

(Signed.)

JAMES M. BRADLEY,
Chairman.

Report of Committee on Work :

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Division:

Your Committee on Work beg leave to submit the following report for your favorable consideration :

Resolution :

1. By Bro. Bradley : Unfavorable.
2. By Bro. Kugler : Favorable.
3. By Bro. O. J. Smith : Favorable except the opening service.
4. By Bro. J. M. Eberlein : Unfavorable.
5. By Bro. W. H. Morse : Favorable, and request that you grant them more time to make the necessary changes in the ritual, which will be submitted for your future action. Request granted
6. By Bro. L. Kugler : Favorable.
7. By Bro. J. M. Eberlein : Unfavorable.

8. By Bro. W. H. Morse : Favorable.
9. By Bro. L. Kugler : Unfavorable.
10. By Bro. W. H. Morse : Favorable.
11. By Bro. W. H. Morse : Favorable.
12. By Bro. W. H. Morse : Favorable.
13. By Bro. A. S. Chambers : Favorable.
14. By Bro. O. J. Smith : Unfavorable.
15. By Bro. O. J. Smith : Favorable.
16. By Bro. W. Kerr : Unfavorable.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. L. COLLINS.
W. H. MORSE,
A. S. CHAMBERS,
W. H. BURGETT,
F. SHOOK.

Committee.

On motion made and seconded the report was received and adopted as read.

Resolution by Bro. O. J. Smith, of No. 14 :

Resolved, That in case any brother being dropped from the insurance for non-payment of dues and assessments, or for other causes, may be reinstated by paying all dues and assessments that may have been made during such time of non-membership, providing he is a member of his division and in good standing at the time of making said application for reinstatement.

Referred to Special Committee on Insurance.

Your Committee on Insurance beg leave to make the following report :

We would favorably recommend the adoption—1st, of substitute for Article 9, by Bro. Long ; 2d, resolution by Bro. O. J. Smith.

Very respectfully,

C. S. WHEATON,
J. C. W. LONG,
A. S. CHAMBERS.

Special Committee.

Resolution of Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9 :

Resolved, That a committee of one be appointed to investigate the matter concerning the Wyoming charter, and if possible obtain said charter and forward the same to the Grand Chief Conductor.

Resolution adopted and Bro. Wheaton appointed as said committee.

By Bro. M. L. Smith, of No. 13 :

Resolved, That all changes made in the ritual be printed on slips of paper and a copy of the same be sent to each sub-division, who will note the changes and use them as they occur. Resolution adopted.

Resolution by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

Resolved, That all visiting brothers who have received the second degree, remain in the Grand Division during the evening session. Resolution carried.

Motion by Bro. Smith, of No. 14 :

That the changes made and reported by the Committee on Work be adopted. Motion carried.

Motion by W. H. Morse, of No. 35 :

That the changes made by the Committee on Work, and adopted by this Grand Division, be in force from and after the 6th day of November, 1875. Motion carried.

By Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

Resolved, by the Grand Division, in Convention in the City of Atlanta, That, feeling a deep interest in the safety and welfare of the traveling public, and believing that any measures proposed by this Grand Division that would contribute to the comfort and safety of the many who place their lives and property in our keeping would be fully appreciated by them, and knowing the great benefits to be derived from the use of the "Westinghouse Air Brake," we would earnestly recommend its adoption to all officers of railroads centering in Atlanta. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of No. 13 :

That the Grand Officers present their bills at the room of the G. C. C., at the hotel, and that an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the respective amounts. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS

The following resolutions of thanks were presented by the committee and unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the thanks of this G. D. of the Conductors' Brotherhood are due and they are hereby tendered to the officers and members of Gate City Division, No. 22, for their many kindnesses, their warm expression of brotherly love, and their untiring efforts to make our visit entertaining and instructive.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood are due and they are hereby tendered to the presidents and officials of the various railroads centering in Atlanta, and all other roads that granted the courtesies of free transportation of delegates to and from this Grand Division, and to the Southern Express Company for courtesies extended.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood are due and are hereby tendered to the Chamber of Commerce and the citizens of Atlanta for their kind manifestation of good will and esteem and their ardent desire to make our stay pleasant while in their midst.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood be and are hereby tendered to Col. McGinly, proprietor of the Kimball house, to N. P. T. Finch, editor, and S. W. Small, city editor of *The Atlanta Constitution*, for their many courtesies.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood are hereby tendered to the officers of the Savannah, Skidaway and Seaboard Railroad for their earnest invitation to accept a trip over their road.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood be and they are hereby tendered to Hon. C. S. Chase, Mayor; Dr. G. L. Miller, editor *Omaha Herald*; W. Irving, Superintendent Burlington and Missouri River Railroad in Nebraska, and S. H. H. Clark, Superintendent Union Pacific Railroad, for their warm invitation to make Omaha their next annual meeting place, which takes place on the first Tuesday in November, 1876.

(Signed.)

W. H. MORSE,
S. McELROY,
A. VANNAMAN,
Committee.

The following communication was received by Bro. D. G. Wylie, and presented to the Grand Division :

, ATLANTA, GA., November 6, 1876.

CAPT. D. G. WYLIE—*Dear Sir*: In accordance with the request of your committee, I have arranged your Florida excursion as follows: Leave Atlanta at 7 A. M., Monday; arrive in Macon 6 P. M. and take supper; leave Macon at 8 P. M., Monday; arrive at Savannah at 8 A. M., Tuesday, and take breakfast—stop at Pulaski house; leave Savannah at 10 A. M. for Isle of Hope, by invitation of the Savannah, Skidaway and Seaboard Railroad Company; return to Savannah in time for dinner; leave Savannah at 4 P. M. Tuesday; arrive in Jacksonville at 9:30 A. M., Wednesday; leave Jacksonville by special boat at 10 A. M.; dinner; arrive at Jacksonville same day at 4 P. M.; leave Jacksonville Wednesday at 4 P. M.; arrive at Macon

Thursday at 1 P. M.; leave Macon Thursday at 6 P. M.; arrive at Atlanta Friday at 4 A. M.

There will be set apart one sleeping car, which has been tendered by the Southern Sleeping Car Company. I am directed by the president of this company to present our compliments to the Brotherhood, and tender the use of the officers' car of their road.

Very respectfully,

B. W. WRENN.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, OMAHA, NEBRASKA, }
October 22, 1875. }

To the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood:

GENTLEMEN: Through J. D. O'Brien, Esq., Secretary of Omaha Division of your Brotherhood, I learn that you are soon to hold your annual convention at Atlanta, Georgia, and that W. H. Morse, Esq., of this city, has been elected delegate to represent the Omaha division in your convention. I desire to avail myself of the opportunity thus presented to extend to you, in behalf of the city, an earnest and cordial invitation to hold your next annual convention in Omaha. I can assure you, gentlemen, that your Brotherhood would be warmly welcomed by us, and that you would find yourselves among live business and railroad men, who have devoted much time to, and take great interest in the speedy advancement of our common country toward the goal of commercial success which, by the assistance of railroads, and only by that assistance, we are so rapidly approaching.

Wishing you abundant success in your most laudable organization, I am,

Very respectfully, your servant,

C. S. CHASE, Mayor.

SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE, }
BURLINGTON AND MISSOURI RIVER RAILROAD, }
OMAHA, Nebraska, October 26, 1875. }

W. H. MORSE, Esq., CONDUCTOR—*Dear Sir:* Understanding that it is the intention of the local division of your Brotherhood of Conductors, whom you are to represent at the coming convention at Atlanta, to invite the Grand Division to hold their next annual convention at Omaha, I would say, that if accepted, we shall be pleased to extend to them the courtesies of the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad in Nebraska in any way that may tend to further the pleasure of their stay in Nebraska.

I am yours truly,

WILLIAM IRVING.

On behalf of the Union Pacific Railroad, I cheerfully indorse the above sentiments.

Yours truly,

S. H. H. CLARK, Superintendent.

OMAHA, Nebraska, October 23, 1875.

To the Grand Division Conductors' Brotherhood:

GENTLEMEN: I am informed that the Mayor of this city has availed himself of the courtesy of Mr. W. H. Morse, delegate to your convention from the Omaha division, to extend to your Brotherhood an invitation to hold your next annual meeting at Omaha. In the name and in behalf of the Merchants' Club of this city, I beg to join in this invitation. Omaha has become a railway center in the development of our transcontinental system to which it is the gateway. Its people take deep interest in railroad men and interests, and I speak the sentiments of a large and influential body of its citizens when I assure you that, should the Brotherhood decide to honor us by holding their next annual meeting here, the people would give them hearty greetings, warm welcomes and liberal hospitality.

Very respectfully, etc.,

GEORGE L. MILLER,

President Omaha Merchants' Club.

SOUTHERN EXPRESS COMPANY, }
ATLANTA, November 6, 1875. }

To the Officers and Members of the Conductors' Brotherhood, now in session:

GENTLEMEN: Please consider the courtesies of the Southern Express Company's lines at your disposal during your stay in Atlanta.

Yours very respectfully,

F. F. COULTER, Agent.

Approved:

E. F. CAMPBELL, Superintendent.

Adjourned to meet in Omaha, Neb., November 7, 1876.

OMAHA, Neb., November 7, 1876.

Minutes of the last regular meeting read and approved.

J. C. W. LONG, G. R. S.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD
AT THE
NINTH ANNUAL SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF OMAHA, NEB.,

NOVEMBER 7, 1876.

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WILLIAM LAFAYETTE COLLINS.

Grand Chief Conductor.

PROCEEDINGS.

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, No. 35, }
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD, }
OMAHA, Nebraska, November 7, 1876. }

Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood met pursuant to adjournment of regular session, held in Atlanta, Georgia, November 2, 1875, and was called to order by Bro. Wm. L. Collins, G. C. C.

Officers Present—Wm. L. Collins, G. C. C.; C. A. Stanchfield, A. G. C. C.; J. C. W. Long, G. R. S.; James M. Bradley, G. T.; W. H. Morse, G. I. S.

Officers Absent—C. S. Wheaton, G. C. of C.; Lewis Kugler, G. O. S.

The Grand Chief Conductor made the following *pro tem.* appointments: W. H. Morse, G. C. of C.; Geo. B. Rand, G. I. S.; Frank Stevens, G. O. S.

A Committee on Credentials was appointed, who reported favorable on the following named delegates.

Buffalo Div., No. 2, E. G. Whitman.
Hornellsville Div., No. 3, George B. Evarts.
Berkley Div., No. 6, Anthony Hedges.
Eureka Div., No. 7, W. S. Brown.
Crestline Div., No. 8, not represented.
Elmira Div., No. 9, A. S. Knapp.
Allegheny Div., No. 11, M. D. Hughey.
Lackawanna Div., No. 12, Frank Stevens.
Iron City Div., No. 13, Samuel McElroy.
Cleveland Div., No. 14, J. H. Archer.
Monumental Div., No. 15, D. H. Kenney.
Newburgh Div., No. 16, not represented.
Quincy Div., No. 17, J. C. Whissen.
Philadelphia Div., No. 18, not represented.
Bloomington Div., No. 19, Alex. Bryant.
Wellsville Div., No. 20, N. Champney.
Gate City Div., No. 22, J. C. A. Branan.
Wayne Div., No. 23, L. M. Blakesley.
St. Albans Div., No. 24, M. Severance.
Freeport Div., No. 25, Wm. Delaney.
Caldwell Div., No. 26, R. R. Brown.
Susquehanna Div., No. 27, B. F. Schmick.

Aurora Div., No. 28, Geo. B. Rand.
 Columbia Div., No. 29, not represented.
 Empire Div., No. 30, Ed. L. Thurber.
 Star Div., No. 31, H. E. Buck.
 Keystone State Div., No. 32, Chas. W. Evarts.
 Scioto Div., No. 33, N. C. Cooper.
 Renovo Div., No. 34, O. A. Cummings.
 Omaha Div., No. 35, J. H. O'Bryan.
 St. Joseph Div., No. 36, Geo. P. Smith.
 Delaware Div., No. 37, Isaac F. Davidson.
 Central City Div., No. 39, A. A. Sharp.
 Hawk Eye Div., No. 31, Amza Crane.
 Rocky Mountain Div., No. 43, J. Ward Boyles.
 Watsach Div., No. 45, George F. McIntosh.
 Laramie Div., No. 46, ———.
 Kansas City Div., No. 48, not represented.
 Moberly Div., No. 49, W. H. Morse, proxy.
 St. Louis Div., No. 50, J. L. Cushing.
 Neversink Div., No. 52, J. S. Hollinshead.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13, that the report of the Committee on Credentials be received. Motion carried.

The Grand Division was now opened in regular form and declared ready for business by the G. C. C.

The reading of the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Grand Division was called for by the G. C. C., which was read by J. C. W. Long, G. R. S.

Motion by Bro. Stanchfield, of Division No. 30 :

That the minutes stand approved as read. Motion carried.

Adjourned until 2:30 P. M.

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, No. 35, {
 OMAHA, Neb., November 7, 1875—2:30 P. M. }

Grand Division met as per adjournment and was called to order by Bro. W. L. Collins, G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

The Grand Chief Conductor read the following annual address, and presented his financial report for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1876:

ANNUAL ADDRESS AND REPORT, GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR,

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 31, 1876.

BRETHREN : Through the mercy and kindness of the Grand Chief Conductor of the Universe our lives have been prolonged. Most of us are in possession of that greatest of blessings, good health, and we are again permitted to assemble in Grand Division to take into consideration our progress.

as an Order during the past year, and to deliberate upon what changes in our Constitution are necessary to be made ; what laws are necessary to be enacted ; what rules should be adopted ; what plans should be laid—yes, and carried out—to cause the growth of our Order to be more rapid ; its Constitution and laws to have more binding force ; its benefits more enlarged, and its influence stronger upon and more deeply felt by railway officials, the community at large, railway men in general, but more particularly railway conductors. I sincerely trust, my Brethren, that every officer and representative has come here having in view these things, and may the Grand Chief Conductor of the Universe endow us with wisdom to enact such laws as will convince those who have honored us with their trust, that our labor at this session of the Grand Division will have been well and faithfully performed.

I had hoped, my Brethren, to meet every officer of this Grand Body at this session, but the All-Wise and Supreme Ruler of the Universe has willed it otherwise. One of our number, Bro. Lewis Kugler, our Grand Outside Sentinel, is no more. Peace be to his ashes. He was a good man, a dutiful son, a kind husband, and a faithful and earnest laborer in our cause, and one that we could grasp by the hand, and in all the fullness of the great signification of the term, call Brother ! Although he is not with us, at his post in the outer room, guarding the outer door of this Grand Division against improper intrusion, God grant that if he may not be a sentinel at the gate of heaven, he may be standing near the great white throne, with a palm in his hand, and singing praises to the Lamb of God that taketh away the sins of the world.

It is scarcely necessary for me to allude to the last session of the Grand Division, or the labor performed by that body. Every brother of our Order is acquainted with the discouraging state of affairs at that time. Very few of the subordinate divisions but were more or less demoralized, and several were entirely defunct. It seemed to many that the old organization of the Conductors' Brotherhood was amongst the things that were, and that we had just organized an entire new institution. During the year that has just closed a good work has been done. Divisions, that had become very much discouraged, and were upon the eve of surrendering their charters, have thrown aside their feelings of despondency, and are pressing forward with renewed energy. Others that were greatly demoralized, and numbered among their membership bad men, have become purged of the dross, and now stand *A. No. one*. The breath of life has been breathed into a few that were dead, and they are growing as with a vigorous youth. It is true, however, that there are a very few divisions, that, owing to surrounding circumstances, have a severe struggle to keep themselves in existence. New divisions have been organized which promise to become healthy, vigorous and energetic laborers in the good cause. Much labor has been performed, and good has been accomplished ; much more will need to be done to accomplish that which we have in view, and cause our Order to rank (as every good brother hopes it will,) among the first of similar organizations

in the land. In accepting the honorable position of Grand Chief Conductor, of which I am really proud, I was aware that in order to faithfully discharge the duties of the office, I would have considerable labor to perform and meet with many discouragements, yet I did not fully realize the amount.

During the year that has just closed I have received from Grand Officers and officers and members of the different sub-divisions two hundred and ninety-four letters, all of which, with but few exceptions, contained matters of interest, many of them of much importance, in connection with our Order. I have also during the year written three hundred letters in reply to the above and on business connected with the Brotherhood. I have visited a number of divisions, and would have visited a much larger number could I have afforded so to do. Like the most of you, my Brethren, I am a poor man with a large family to support, and in order to do this I am obliged to labor every day that my health will permit of, consequently I could not visit more divisions than I have. It is true some of the divisions reimbursed me for my lost time and expenses; others did not, and I was in consequence money out of pocket. I have labored earnestly and faithfully for the welfare of our beloved Order, and to promote its interests. By actual count of hours, I have devoted over one hundred days in its service during the year that I have been your Grand Chief Conductor, and many of these days to the neglect of my family and my own personal affairs and interests. My Brethren, I do not say these things in a spirit of complaint or fault-finding; far from it. I love our Order too well for that. But, my Brethren, there are some things you must learn to understand, and understanding, carry them out. And here allow me to observe that I have for some time noticed that there was a fear existing in the minds of a number of our good brethren, that we might accumulate too large an amount of funds in the Grand Treasury, and thereby tempt some brother to become dishonest. I regret this very much, because it is my opinion that until we have funds sufficient in our Treasury to promptly meet every expense and contingency, and pay your Grand Officers, or a portion of them, a reasonable compensation for their labor, we will not be a perfectly successful organization. Of this we have had evidence sufficient for the past three years.

Brethren, can we expect to be prosperous and respected as an Order, if we permit ourselves to continue in a bankrupt, or semi-bankrupt condition? We have done well, remarkably well, the past year, but we might have done much better if we would have had funds sufficient in the treasury to compensate officers for their labor. You cannot, you must not, expect, as our Order continues to advance and grow in numbers, to find officers (I mean Grand Officers) who will devote their time and means laboring for its advancement and success, from pure love of the Order. No, my Brethren, the time is fast approaching when it will be necessary to adopt a different system from the one under which we are now working, one similar to that which governs the "Brotherhood of the Foot Board." They pay their Grand Chief and Grand Secretary a fine salary for their services. Those officers engage in no other business or employment, but devote their whole

time and talents to the interests of their Order. This accounts in a very large measure for its success.

When we adopt the same plan we can obtain the best men, with the greatest talent for our officers, giving them to understand that they must devote their whole time in the service of the Brotherhood, and that they must earn their wages. When we do this, our sub-divisions will be numbered by the hundreds, and our membership by the thousands. When we do this, and one or two other things, instead of having eleven or twelve hundred of the thirty-five thousand conductors in the United States as members of our Brotherhood, we will have from twenty to twenty-five thousand. These things cannot be accomplished without money and labor, and you must not expect it. Should we adopt such a system it would undoubtedly tax our purses pretty heavily at first, but as our numbers increase the taxes will grow lighter, until it will, in time, be no greater, even less than under the present system.

There are some suggestions and recommendations I wish to offer for your careful consideration : First, I would recommend an entire revision of our Constitution ; or, if it would suit you better, the drafting and adoption of an entire new one. Every brother is aware that our present Constitution is very imperfect and inefficient, and the more it is amended and revised the worse, seemingly, it becomes. I do not believe it ever can be made what we need. Should you revise the present or adopt an entire new one, I would recommend that the title be changed so as to read : "Constitution of the Railway Conductors' Brotherhood of the United States of America." The present title, "Constitution of the Grand Division, etc.." seems to imply that it is for the government of the Grand Division only; and not for the whole Order. I would also recommend that you authorize each division to draft and adopt by-laws to suit themselves, providing, however, there is nothing therein contained conflicting with the Constitution.

I wrote to all my deputies calling upon them for an annual report. I judge from the tenor of their replies, and the meagre reports I have received, that they were taken by surprise. I am not aware that such a thing has ever before been required or called for, and I would therefore suggest that a clause be enacted in our Constitution requiring deputies to render an annual report of all transactions connected with their office. I would also suggest that a law be enacted prohibiting a Chief or Assistant Chief Conductor from resigning his office. In my opinion neither of these offices should be voluntarily vacated. In case of the death or removal of the Chief Conductor the chair should be filled by the Assistant Chief Conductor. In case of the death or removal of the latter officer, the office should be temporarily filled by appointment by the Chief Conductor. In case both offices should become vacant by death or removal, the Grand Chief Conductor, upon application from the division having such vacancies, should grant a dispensation to hold an election to fill said vacancies for the unexpired term. I would also suggest that a law be enacted to govern the trial of a Chief Conductor for violation of the Constitution, laws of the

Order, his obligation, or any offense for which he is amenable to the Order. I will not at this point give my opinions on this subject, as they will be fully stated in my report and decisions for the past year. There are many inconsistencies and confliotions in our present Constitution to which I might call your attention, but they are so apparent to every one that it is scarcely necessary.

There is, however, one thing to which I must call your attention before leaving this subject, and that is the time for holding the annual session of the Grand Division. I most earnestly recommend that the article in the Constitution fixing the time for holding said sessions be amended so as to read September instead of November. You are all aware of the effort made to have this session called in October instead of November as provided by Article 3, Section 1, of the Constitution. There were a number of reasons why a few of us wish this change, one of which Bro. Morse, Bro. Stanchfield, or myself did not wish to make public at that time, nor would it be policy to have it go into print, or be made public even at this time. The great reason why a large majority of the brethren wished the change was the fact of the presidential election occurring just at the time of the meeting of the Grand Division. Perhaps I overstepped the mark a little in complying with the request of some of my brethren, and of my own desires, by obtaining the voice of the different divisions on the subject. If I did wrong by so doing, it was an error of the head, and not of the heart, and I most humbly ask forgiveness for the same of this Grand Body, to whom alone I am amenable at this time. I claim, however, that there has been no harm done, and no part of the Constitution, or my obligation violated.

I would earnestly recommend the adoption of a new charter for subordinate divisions—one that will be a credit to our Order, and an ornament to every division room wherein it is placed. Our present style of charter has a very common, cheap appearance, and its heading is inappropriate and untruthful, as we are no longer "International."

There is one matter that has been, and is yet a source of deep regret to me, and not to me alone, but to other members of the Brotherhood; it is the smallness of the number of members of the insurance connected with the Order. Why it is that there is such an apathy, a backwardness on the part of our brethren in availing themselves of the advantages to be gained, if not directly by themselves, at least by their families, by becoming members of the aforesaid insurance, I cannot tell. Every brother should be a member of this insurance. I tell you, my Brethren, it would add a four-fold interest to our Brotherhood. During the past few months I have written to nearly every division on this subject. The brethren seem to see the point, but yet they do not join. I sincerely trust that some measures will be adopted by this Grand Division to induce the brethren, every one of them, to become members of this insurance.

In regard to the magazine I shall not say much; it has spoken for itself. This much I will say, however, that I am, as every brother should be, and no doubt is, highly gratified with the success which has attended

the enterprise, especially, when taking into consideration the want of confidence which was engendered by the failure of the Cruzen journal the two previous years. A report of its condition, financially and otherwise, I will of course, leave with our worthy brother, W. H. Morse, to render. But right here let me remark, that too much praise, too much credit cannot be accorded to Bro. Morse for the noble manner he has performed the duties of the offices he has held, and the service he has rendered the Brotherhood. In what manner he will be compensated it will be for you to determine. I sincerely trust, my Brethren, that every division, every brother, will exert themselves to the utmost to obtain a larger subscription the coming year, so that the magazine may meet with the success it so deservedly merits.

I will now pass on to the report of my official transactions and decisions during the fiscal year that is past.

Bro. J. W. Baillett, who was delegate for Division No. 32 at our last annual session, being obliged to return home before being instructed in the changes made in the ritual and secret work, I stopped at Meadville on my way home, and instructed that division in said changes. Immediately upon my arrival home I issued a call for a special meeting of Division No. 3 for the purpose of instructing, and, if necessary, to re-organize that division, all of which was most happily accomplished on November 23, at which time I granted Division No. 3 a dispensation to elect and install officers on November 30, 1876. November 24 I visited Division No. 12, at Scranton, Pa., and instructed them in the changes in the ritual and secret work. November 30 I installed the officers of Division No. 3. December 18 I visited Philadelphia Division, No. 18, and instructed them in the late changes in the work. December 26 I visited Cleveland Division, No. 14.

December 27, in reply to a communication from Bro. J. T. Fullerton, I rendered the following decision: "If a brother in good standing, in your division, objects to the admission of Bro. Packard into the division room, you do right not to admit him. You can refuse to communicate, or confer the new degrees, or the changes made therein to him on the ground of his professed infidelity; because no obligation is, or can be considered binding when administered to a person of that class."

December 29 I received from our G. R. S. the minutes of the last session of the Grand Division for my inspection and approval. After a careful examination I returned them with my approval. Allow me here to digress, and in justice to Bro. Long, say, that being aware of the terrible disjointed mess of slips and scraps of paper received by him from Joseph Packard, as minutes of the proceedings of the Grand Division, I was agreeably surprised, yes, I may say very much astonished, at the correct and perfect manner in which he had gotten them together. December 30 I wrote and informed Bro. J. T. Fullerton, in case Amboy Division, No. 1, made out their report for the year ending November 1, 1875, and placed it, together with the Grand dues for the same year, in the hands of Bro. Stanchfield, Bro. Austin or with himself to be forwarded to the Grand Recording Secretary, he or they could instruct them in the new work, and

place them on as good footing in the Order as possible. During the latter part of December and forepart of January I made and forwarded my appointments of Deputy Grand Chief Conductors.

Brethren who attended the last session of the Grand Division will remember that I earnestly and repeatedly requested them to nominate suitable persons for that office, as they were much better acquainted with the brethren in their own respective States than I, and could make better selections. Well, two or three handed me names on slips of paper, the balance I had to wait for; some were of my own selection after failing to hear from a number of States; this was the cause of my apparent dilatoriness in making the appointments.

January 9 I empowered Bro. Garr, R. S. of Division No. 9, who was about to visit St. Albans, Vt., to instruct Division No. 24, providing they produced evidence of being square on the G. D. books. They produced evidence satisfactory, and Bro. Garr gave them all necessary instructions.

January 10 I drew an order on the G. T., in favor of the G. R. S., for \$100 to reimburse the latter for money paid for printing. Brethren, I must digress from my report occasionally and make some remarks and suggestions, as they occur to me. Here allow me to suggest, that before this Grand Body closes its session, an appropriation be made to defray the expense of printing during the coming year, so there may be no antagonism between the G. R. S. and G. T.

January 19, in reply to a communication from Bro. J. D. Thompson, of Division No. 4, (that division being in the same condition as Division No. 1,) I informed him that if Division No. 4 would forward to the G. R. S. their report and Grand dues for the past two years, they would be reinstated as a division in good standing, and I also instructed Bro. Daniel Lingle, D. G. C. C., to visit and instruct them as soon as they complied with the above requirements, which he did.

January 10 I visited Buffalo Division, No. 2. January 20 I instructed Bro. Long to notify sub-divisions once each month of expulsions.

February 11 I received a communication from Bro. J. A. Wood, appealing from the decision of Division No. 33, they having expelled him for intoxication. I also received, same date, a communication from Bro. S. D. Gage, of Division No. 33, enclosing a petition for redress in the case of Bro. Wood, signed by a number of members of Division No. 33. I also received a communication from Bro. McMurray in favor of Bro. Wood. I immediately wrote to Bro. G. A. Manly for a copy of the charges against Bro. Wood, together with the evidence in the case, the manner of procedure of the trial by the division, and their decision. February 25 I received communications from Bros. Manly and McMurray, stating that the case of Bro. Wood had been reconsidered and satisfactorily adjusted. This was a case of a division trying and expelling a C. C., which in my opinion is entirely wrong; and on a similar case I rendered a decision, and gave my views in full, and which will be found in another portion of my report.

February 15 I wrote to Bro. E. B. Carr, R. S. of Division No. 25,

authorizing said division to reconsider their action in the case of Bro. Peter Grady, holding that neither he nor the division were to blame, the fault lying with the postoffice department failing, on account of detention of trains, to deliver Bro. Grady's letter containing his dues, in time; also, that Bro. Grady's excuse for his seeming negligence (distress and out of employment) was sufficient.

March 9 I received a communication from Bro. J. W. Surles, D. G. C. C. of Iowa, which called from me the following decisions: 1. A subordinate division has not a right to reprimand, suspend, expel or censure without a fair and just trial, according to the provisions of the Constitution. See Article 5, Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5; Article 7, Sections 1 and 2, only give manner of proceeding after trial, to fix the penalty. 2. If a brother has a fair trial and be found guilty of the charge, the punishment must be definite—either reprimand, censure, suspension or expulsion. You can not inflict two kinds of punishment for the same offense. 3. Your official position gives you the right to speak in any division in your State, and it is your duty, when present, to interrupt, and if possible prevent any proceeding that is in violation of the Constitution, laws or regulations of our Order. 4. No resolution will hold in case where charges have been preferred against a brother, unless said charges are withdrawn by the brother preferring them, before the proceedings have commenced. When commenced, the trial must proceed as prescribed in Article 5, Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5, and Article 7, Section 1. 5. A division has a perfect right to take evidence other than from members of the Order, male or female; being careful to observe that witnesses are not prejudiced. 6. A brother has the right to prefer charges against a division to the G. C. C., and if evidence sufficient is produced to satisfy the G. C. C., that the division has wilfully violated the Constitution, the G. C. C. would have the right, and should suspend their charter until the next session of the G. D. Article 4, Section 2, of the Constitution.

March 22, in reply to a question from Bro. G. W. Robertson, I decided that a division had a right under certain circumstances to communicate the degrees to an old member of a division, even were he not at the time in active railroad service.

March 23 I received a communication from Bro. I. F. Davidson, R. S. of Division No. 37, stating a case and propounding certain questions, which I answered as per following copy:

[COPY.]

HORNELLVILLE, N. Y., March 23, 1876.

I. F. DAVIDSON, R. S. OF DIVISION NO. 37—*Dear Sir and Brother:* Yours dated March 20 is at hand and I hasten to reply. The questions you ask have arisen in two other divisions, with this difference: the C. C. was alone implicated. I shall have to give you my opinion as given to others. There is a fundamental law of this nation, which governs judicial courts,

churches and every society and organization with which I am at all acquainted ; it is : "Every man charged with an offense shall be tried by his peers." In view of this fact I claim that a C. C. cannot be tried for an offense by a division over which he presides. He has been selected by the division, as a person suitable to preside over them, has been regularly elected and installed, and made the pledges in conformity with the Constitution, and is amenable for his acts only to the G. D., and during its recess to the G. C. C., who has power to decide in the case, subject to an appeal to the G. D. It is true this is not laid down in our Constitution (but then the Constitution is very imperfect,) and in the absence of any law to govern such cases, I shall, so far as I am concerned, be governed by the law that governs similar associations. Should a C. C. of any division be guilty of an offense against the Constitution and laws of the Order, in my opinion the proper course to pursue would be to notify the D. G. C. C. of the State wherein the division is located, he to collect the facts and evidence in the case, and forward the same to the G. C. C. for his decision, or with the approval of the G. C. C. he (the D. G. C. C.) could appoint a commission, consisting of C. C.'s, to try the case and, if adjudged guilty, name the penalty. Yet perhaps the quickest and best plan would be to submit the matter at once to the G. C. C.

In regard to Article 5, Section 4, I cannot put but one construction upon the language therein contained, *i. e.*, expulsion. Section 5, same article, names offenses for which the offender may be suspended or expelled, and by a majority vote. Article 7, Section 5, also names an offense for which a brother is liable to expulsion only. I think this in some cases is wrong. I think it would be far better to read : "Shall he" suspended until all arrearages are paid ; but as it is we must abide by it. Article 7, Section 1, also names an offense for which a brother is liable to any one of four kinds of punishment, as the division may decide, by a majority vote of those present. In my opinion, therefore, it requires a majority vote of those present to censure, reprimand, or suspend ; and a two-thirds vote to expel. If a division, by committee or otherwise, commits an act that is unconstitutional or unjust, any brother has a right to an appeal to the G. C. C. or the G. D. if in session. When a committee is ready and offer their report by reading it in the division, it may be received or rejected by a majority vote of the members present. When once received there can be no such thing as an appeal from the decision of the committee. "Cushing's Manual" was adopted as our guide by the G. D. at Baltimore, and consequently that is our law in parliamentary usages. In reference to committees I would refer you to page 147, commencing with Section 5, of that work. Here allow me to say that every division should be supplied with one or more copies of that very valuable little work ; in fact every brother should have one. I will now close, etc.

WM. L. COLLINS, G. C. C.

April 8 I received a communication dated April 6, signed by Bro. I. F. Davidson and six other members of Division No. 37, preferring charges against Bro. J. Mahan, C. C., to which I sent the following reply:

I. F. DAVIDSON, R. S., DIVISION No. 37—*Worthy Brother*: Your communication dated April 6 is received. I regret very much that circumstances require my decision in so unpleasant a case as seems to have been agitating your division for some time. If Bro. Mahan is guilty, I regret exceedingly that we are so unfortunate as to have in our Order a man so base. I shall endeavor to answer your communication and questions impartially and correctly as in my power.

1. The charges and specifications should have been first sent to me, signed by some of the officers and members of Division No. 37, for investigation and decision.

2. Bro. Mahan, (taking the view that many do, that a division has the right to try the C. C.) being the C. C., should have vacated the chair in favor of the A. C. C., that officer being present. Article 10, Section 5, is plain and definite, as regards who shall occupy the chair. The P. C. C. has no authority other than that delegated to him by the Constitution and ritual. Should the C. C. wish to vacate his chair for a few moments, he may—and it is frequently done—call the nearest brother to the chair. In opening a division, or upon a P. C. C. entering a division when open, the C. C. may, out of courtesy, invite the P. C. C. to preside; but it is not very customary, as the P. C. C. is virtually the Chaplain and has duties of his own to perform. Again, I think it was very unwise in Bro. Shook, he being chairman of the investigating committee, to occupy the C. C.'s chair; it would have been much better had he declined in favor of the A. C. C., whose right it was. See Article 10, Section 5, of the Constitution.

3. In ordinary cases of this kind, after the committee have been regularly appointed, they accepting that trust, should make a full, fair and impartial investigation; and should there not be sufficient time to make such investigation before the next regular or special meeting, as per Article 5, Sections 3 and 4, of the Constitution, the time may be extended by a majority vote of the division. "Should the committee report that the charges have not been sustained by sufficient evidence, the matter shall not be considered a subject for discussion or debate, and the member against whom the charges have been brought shall be recognized as a brother in good standing." Article 5, Section 3: "Should the committee report against the offending brother," the case then becomes the full property of the division as soon as the report is received, and must proceed according to the Constitution.

4. In such cases as committee should not make a partial report, or decide on partial evidence, when more evidence can easily be obtained, and which might materially change their opinion and report. The admission by Mrs. Mahan that the charges were partly true, was good and

sufficient for further investigation, and the committee, not making such investigation, failed to discharge their whole duty.

5. The brother who heard the evidence given, and saw it written down when the charges were about being drawn up, and refused, or wilfully neglected to sign the same, certainly failed of his duty.

6. If a committee on "charges" have not reported, or if they report to sustain the charges, then the accused has no right to vote on any question until the case may be decided in his favor.

7. Should any brother or number of brethren, be aware that such committee have not discharged their duty, or have shown partiality on either side, it is as much their duty to appeal, first to the sub-division, next to the G. C. C., as it was in the first place to prefer charges, knowing the brother to be guilty.

8. There is nothing to prevent any number of brethren from appealing from a decision to the G. C. C. It is, as I take it, only on certain questions, and then acting as a division, under seal of the same, that it requires a two-thirds vote to appeal to the G. C. C.

9. By voting to not accept the report and discharge the committee, you have left the case in, as the lawyers term it, "*status quo*." It is a somewhat mixed and bad case to handle. Our Constitution is very imperfect. Where no "law" to govern certain cases is specifically stated in it, we must be governed by the "common law," and laws that govern similar institutions. In view of the facts stated in your communication, also in one from Bro. Shook, I hereby set aside the proceedings and decisions of Delaware Division, No. 37, in the case of Bro. Mahan, and order that A. C. C., R. S., and P. C. C. obtain all the evidence possible in the case, over the signatures of the witnesses, and forward the same to me without delay. Testimony of brethren of the Order will be taken on the strength of their former obligations; but other witnesses must make affidavit to their testimony. In the meantime, I hereby suspend Bro. Mahan from his duties as C. C., and all the rights and privileges of the Order until such time as the case may be decided. Yours in P. F.,

WM. L. COLLINS, G. C. C.

P. S.—I have notified Bro. Mahan by letter of his suspension.

April 19 I received a communication from Bros. Davidson, Baylor and Shook, containing evidence in the case of Bro. J. Mahan, to which I replied as follows:

LEWIS BAYLOR, I. F. DAVIDSON, THEO. SHOOK, COMMITTEE OF INVESTIGATION—*Dear Sirs and Brothers:* Your communication of April 17, containing evidence in the case of Bro. John Mahan, has been duly received and carefully perused. I regret very much that the evidence against Bro. Mahan is so strong. A brother so guilty merits the highest grade of pun-

ishment. The evidence is conclusive that he has been in the habit of more or less abusing and neglecting his wife. Also that he did so while under the influence of intoxicating liquors, proving that he is a drunkard. When a brother accepts a position in a division, especially so important a one as C. C., we expect him to be an exemplary man, and that he will set a good example to his brethren. The offenses committed by Bro. Mahan are therefore considered far more grave than the same offenses committed by a brother not holding an official position. I would like to be lenient with Bro. Mahan, and remove the ban of suspension; but the honor of your division and of the whole Order would be jeopardized were I so to do. I therefore order that Bro. Mahan remain suspended from the office of C. C., also from all the rights and privileges of the Brotherhood until the next session of the Grand Division, and its action is taken in the matter. I feel that he should be expelled; but I wish to be as lenient as possible, and therefore take this course. Thanking you, my Brethren, for the very prompt and able manner in which you have performed the unpleasant duty enjoined upon you,

I am respectfully yours in P. F.,

WM. L. COLLINS, G. C. C.

I also enclose the following:

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF DELAWARE DIVISION, No. 37, C. B.—*Brethren*: I hereby order and declare that Bro. John Mahan be, and is hereby suspended from the office of C. C., also from all the rights and privileges of the Brotherhood until the next session of the G. D., and their action is taken in the matter. The R. S. will notify Bro. Mahan of my decision. Yours in P. F.,

WM. L. COLLINS, G. C. C.

I have been thus explicit in giving full details of this case and these letters for two reasons. First, to advise this Grand Body of the decisions I have made, and of opinions and advice given, not only to Division No. 37, but to other divisions and individual brethren. Second, as these letters are intimately connected with an official decision given to Division No. 37, and my action in the case, and my views on the subject of the trial of a C. C., and the results arising therefrom; also, it being a case upon which this Grand Division will have to act, should Bro. Mahan appeal from my decision, and in fact whether he appeals or not,

April 8 I appointed Bro. Morse Grand Lecturer and General Organizer. It is true the Constitution does not provide for such an officer; but feeling the necessity for such a person in the field, especially in the Far West, I assumed the responsibility. The results you have witnessed.

April 20, I authorized the G. R. S. to receive from Caldwell Division, No. 26, their Grand dues for the past two years, and allow them to retain their original charter.

April 25, I gave my consent to the G. R. S. to have a further supply of rituals printed, and, if necessary, to borrow the funds to pay for the same.

May 18, in reply to a communication from Bro. Daniel Lingle, D. G. C. C., I decided that documents emanating from a division could not be considered constitutional, or be legally recognized as official without the seal of the division attached.

June 12, in reply to Bro. C. D. Lenox, of Division No. 33, I decided that a brother who has taken but one degree is not entitled to, and must not remain in, the division room when the division is open and transacting business in the second degree.

During the month of June I received letters from a number of brethren requesting me to levy a special assessment to defray expenses of the Grand Division; also to compensate Bro. Morse for the good service he has done in organizing divisions, they believing there would not be sufficient funds in the treasury for that purpose. But, as the Constitution does not empower me, or any other Grand Officer, to levy an assessment without special action of the G. D., I declined doing so; but recommended a plan whereby funds could be raised, which was by voluntary assessment by each division upon its own members and voluntarily presented to the G. D. for that purpose.

During the year I have granted fourteen charters; the last one was for Neversink Division, No. 52. The organization of this division may be considered a great victory, and well won; and great credit is due Bro. A. B. Murphy, D. G. C. C., of New Jersey, for the very able manner in which he worked it up. The division is located at Port Jervis, N. Y., on the Erie Railway. It starts off with thirty-three charter members, and fair prospects; for the "boys" say they intend to have from one hundred to one hundred and twenty-five members.

October 17, in reply to Bro. Long in reference to assessing Division No. 52 for the past year, I decided that in view of the fact that we have been for several years endeavoring to obtain a foothold on the east end of our road by organizing a division at Port Jervis, or Jersey City, but had always met with defeat on account of the prejudice existing in the minds of officers and conductors; and, whereas, the division was organized, the officers elected and installed in the last month of the fiscal year, and after the regular time for making out the annual report, it would be impolitic to so assess them. I also decided that brethren who had taken but one degree were not subject to Grand dues, as they were not in full membership or entitled to all the rights and privileges of the Order until they had taken the second degree, and had signed the Constitution and By-laws.

I have made many minor decisions, which the Constitution plainly teaches, and which it is unnecessary for me to mention.

September 18, I received information through Bro. Long that Bro. Bradley, G. T., had tendered his resignation to the Executive Committee, and asking my views in reference to that body appointing a successor to Bro. Bradley. Not having fully considered the matter in a constitutional

point of view, I replied that I hoped that the Executive Committee would not appoint any one as G. T., as the year was so near its close, and by not appointing it would save quite an amount to the G. D.

September 20, I was notified by Bro. McElroy of the resignation of Bro. Bradley and stating that the appointing power lie with the G. C. C., and recommending, or suggesting the name of Bro. M. L. Smith as his, Bro. Bradley's, successor. This brought the matter more fully to my mind, and after a more careful perusal of the Constitution, I failed to find wherein the Executive Committee had any jurisdiction in the case whatever, and I so informed Bro. McElroy. I further stated to Bro. McElroy that as soon as I received official notice from Bro. Bradley of his resignation, I would act in the premises.

October 1, I received from Bro. McElroy the letter of resignation of Bro. Bradley. There being only five weeks until the meeting of the G. D., I deemed it unwise and impolitic to accept the resignation of Bro. B. and appoint a successor to serve so short a time, and thereby inflict upon the G. D. an expense that might be avoided. In view of this, I addressed a letter to Bro. B., giving my views on the subject, and requesting him to withdraw his resignation, stating that if he was not able to attend the G. D., on account of ill health, as was represented, he could make out his report and forward the same to Bro. Long or myself, who would present it to the G. D.

October 17, I received a letter from Bro. B. withdrawing his resignation, and as soon as possible thereafter I notified Bro. McElroy, Bro. Long and Bro. Morse of the fact. I intended to notify Bro. Stanchfield also, but neglected to do so.

I have been thus particular in rehearsing this matter and stating my connection therewith, and my reasons for pursuing the course I did, because I am well aware that it had become very generally known among the brethren that Bro. Bradley had tendered his resignation, and that Bro. M. L. Smith was the coming man. Also to show the inadequateness of our present Constitution; for, had I accepted the resignation of Bro. B., and followed the provisions of the Constitution, (situated as our Grand Officers are,) it would have taken from one to two months before a successor could have been elected and notified to take the office, and by that time the G. D. would have been in session.

During the year I have made some purchases for which I submit the following report :

1875.

Nov.	19, To One blank book.....	\$ 1 50
	19, " 1,000 letter heads.....	6 50
	19, " 1,000 envelopes.....	4 00
	19, " One bottle Arnold's ink.....	1 00
	19, " Postage stamps.....	99
	20, " Four days time in writing, etc.....	15 38
Dec.	6, " Postage stamps....	2 00

1876.

Jan. 25,	To Postage stamps.....	\$ 1 00
Feb. 7, "	G. D. seal....	7 00
Mch. 11, "	Express charges.....	75
20, "	Postage stamps.....	1 00
April 20, "	Postage stamps.....	3 00
July 18, "	Postage stamps....	1 00
Aug. 26, "	Postage stamps.....	1 00
Sept. 29, "	Postage stamps.....	1 25
Oct. 29, "	Postage stamps.....	1 00

 \$48 36

1875.

Dec. 6, Credit by postage stamps.....21

1876.

Oct. 23, Credit by postage stamps50

 71

 \$47 66

Motion by Bro. Long, of Division No. 23 :

That the address and report of the G. C. C. be referred to the appropriate committees. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Davidson, of Division No. 37 :

That Bro. L. M. Blakesley be appointed Assistant G. R. S. for the present term. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 1, by Bro. Bradley, of Division No. 22 :

Resolved, That all resolutions be reduced to writing and placed on the Secretary's desk. Resolution carried.

The Grand Recording Secretary presented his annual report and requested an extension of time, in order to receive annual reports of subdivisions that had not sent in their reports.

Motion by Bro. Whitman, of Division No. 2 :

That the G. R. S. report in progress, and that he be allowed an extension of time. Motion carried.

Bro. Stanchfield, of Division No. 30, asked permission to present to the officers and delegates a silk badge, with the following inscription thereon :

GRAND DIVISION, CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD.

OMAHA, 1876.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13:

That the G. D. accept the badges presented by Bro. Stanchfield, and require the officers and members of the Grand Division to wear them during this session; also, that we tender the thanks of this G. D. to Bro. Stanchfield for the same. Motion carried.

The Grand Chief Conductor appointed the following committees:

On Constitution and Laws—Samuel McElroy, James M. Bradley, J. H. Archer, J. H. O'Bryan, Ed. L. Thurber.

Finance—J. Ward Boyles, M. D. Hughey, G. B. Evarts, N. C. Cooper, E. G. Whitman.

On Work—W. H. Morse, A. A. Sharp, J. F. Davidson, J. C. Whissen, J. S. Hollinshead.

Report of the Grand Treasurer received.

OFFICE OF THE G. T., C. B.
OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 7, 1876. }

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers:

I herewith respectfully submit my report for the year commencing November 1, 1875, and ending Nov. 1. 1876:

1875.	
Nov.	8. Amount received from W. L. Collins.....\$268.00
6,	" paid W. L. Collins, as G. T., 1875..... \$ 55 30
6,	" " M. L. Smith, A. G. C. C., 1875..... 63 25
6,	" " Jos. Packard, per order G. D..... 15 00
6,	" " Thos. S. Gresham, per order G. D.. 10 00
6,	" " J. C. W. Long, G. R. S., per order G. C. C.. 134 00
6,	Paid for Blank Book for Treasurer..... 25
6,	" Money Order for G. R. S..... 70
Total expenditures.....\$268.50	
Balance due me.....50 cents.	

Report of Treasurer referred to Committee on Finance.

The following report of the editor and publisher of the magazine was read, and upon motion of Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13, was referred to the Committee on Printing:

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 7, 1876.

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Delegates:

GENTLEMEN—I have the honor to submit to your body the following report of subscribers and expense attached to the publishing of our mag-

azine for the first eleven months of the present year, and up to December 1, 1876, with an approximate estimate of expense for December, completing the year and the present volume :

1875.			
December	11,	To Postage stamps.....	\$ 1 50
"	22,	" Books.....	1 50
1876.			
January	1,	" Stamps and postage on magazine.....	1 00
"	4,	" Stamps and postage on magazine.....	1 15
"	30,	" Stamps and postage on magazine.....	1 50
February	5,	" Payment on Jan. and Feb. magazine..	449 00
"	5,	" Postage on magazines.....	3 50
"	25,	" Postage stamps.....	1 00
March	1,	" Postage on magazines.....	3 50
"	1,	" Printing March number--3,000.....	225 00
"	8,	" Postage on circulars.....	5 00
"	13,	" Postal cards.....	50
"	15,	" Postage stamps.....	1 00
April	1,	" Printing 3,000 magazines.....	225 00
"	1,	" Postage on magazines.....	3 75
"	27,	" Printing 3,000 magazines.....	225 00
"	17,	" Postage on magazines.....	3 80
"	27,	" Express charges on return magazines..	1 20
"	27,	" Drayage.....	25
May	12,	" Incidentals--stationery, etc.	99
"	16,	" Postage stamps.....	1 40
"	16,	" Express charges on return magazines..	2 10
"	28,	" Printing June magazine--2,500.....	200 00
"	29,	" Postage on magazines.....	3 80
June	28,	" Postage stamps.....	1 00
"	28,	" Postal cards.....	50
July	7,	" Printing July number--2,100.....	185 00
"	7,	" Drayage.....	25
"	7,	" Postage on July number.....	4 10
August	4,	" Postage stamps.....	50
"	4,	" Printing August magazines--2,200....	185 00
"	4,	" Drayage.....	25
"	4,	" Postage on August number.....	4 12
"	24,	" Stationery, ink, etc.	3 20
September	1,	" Stamps and postal cards.....	1 50
"	2,	" Printing September magazine.....	185 00
"	4,	" Drayage.....	25
"	4,	" Postage on September magazine.....	4 15
October	3,	" Printing October magazine.....	185 00

October,	3,	To Drayage and postage.....	\$ 4 40
"	7,	" Postage stamps.....	1 00
"	30,	" Printing November magazine.....	185 00
"	30,	" Incidentals.....	2 95
"	30,	" Postage on magazines.....	4 15
"	30,	" Drayage.....	25
December number—estimated.....			193 00
Total for the year.....			\$2,511 52

NAMES OF DIVISIONS.		Copies Ord'd.	Copies Unp'd.	Am't Unp'd.	Copies Paid.	Total Am't Rec'd from Each Div'n.
Buffalo.....	No. 2	79½	None.	None.	79½	\$ 119 25
Hornellsville.....	" 3	83	"	"	83	124 50
Berkley.....	" 6	100	"	"	100	150 00
Eureka.....	" 7	87	"	"	87	130 50
Crestline.....	" 8	20	"	"	20	30 00
Elmira.....	" 9	37	"	"	37	55 50
Allegheny.....	" 11	75	"	"	75	112 50
Lackawanna.....	" 12	50	"	"	50	75 00
Iron City.....	" 13	75	"	"	75	112 50
Cleveland.....	" 14	28	"	"	28	42 00
Monumental.....	" 15	65	"	"	65	97 50
Newburg.....	" 16	18	"	"	18	27 00
Quincy.....	" 17	100	"	"	100	150 00
Philadelphia.....	" 18	25	"	"	25	37 50
Bloomington.....	" 19	None.	"	"	None.	Nothing.
Wellsville.....	" 20	53	"	"	53	79 50
Gate City.....	" 22	75	"	"	75	112 50
Wayne.....	" 23	48	"	"	48	72 00
St. Albans.....	" 24	23½	"	"	23½	35 25
Freeport.....	" 25	11	"	"	11	16 50
Susquehanna.....	" 27	90	7	\$10 50	83	124 50
Aurora.....	" 28	55	None.	None.	55	82 50
Empire.....	" 30	100	"	"	100	150 00
Star.....	" 31	80	"	"	80	120 00
Keystone State.....	" 32	54	"	"	54	81 00
Scioto.....	" 33	100	"	"	100	150 00
Renovo.....	" 34	24	"	"	24	36 00
Omaha.....	" 35	353	"	"	353	529 50
St. Joseph.....	" 36	51	"	"	51	76 50
Delaware.....	" 37	4	"	"	4	6 00
Des Moines.....	" 38	11	"	"	11	16 50
College City.....	" 40	6	"	"	6	9 00
Hawk Eye.....	" 41	30	"	"	30	45 00
Wasatch.....	" 45	22	"	"	22	33 00
Laramie.....	" 46	6	"	"	6	9 00
Waterloo.....	" 47	1	"	"	1	1 50
St. Louis.....	" 50	3	"	"	3	4 50
Joseph Packard, Bloomington, Ill.....		15	"	"	15	22 50
Total subscriptions.....		2,058	7	\$10 50	\$2,051	\$3,076 50

ADVERTISEMENTS PAID.

R. A. Cowell's Platform and Buffer, 6 months, inside page, commencing with June number, 1876.....	\$22 50
Singer Sewing Machine Co., outside cover, commencing with June number, 1876, 1 year. Order for 50 per cent. on any style machine, estimated at	40 00
E. L. Eaton, photographer, on magazine of outside cover, commencing with June number, 1886, 1 year.....	15 00
G. Thrall, Grand Central Hotel, Omaha, on outside of back cover, commencing with June, 1876, 1 year.....	25 00
J. E. Markel, restaurant, Omaha, outside of back cover, commencing with June number, 1876, 1 year.....	25 00
J. W. Marlow, American House, Denver, Col., inside page, commencing with July number, 1876, 1 year.....	18 00
E. A. Armstrong, Detroit, Mich., regalias, inside page, commencing with October number, 1876, 6 months.....	15 00
Total receipts for advertisements	\$160 00
Total receipts for advertisements and subscriptions..	\$3,236 50

Resolution No. 2, by Bro. Sharp, of Division No. 39 :

Resolved, That no delegate on this floor be allowed to speak more than once on any subject without the consent of the chair, and that the time be limited to five minutes. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 :

That after two days the G. R. S. report in full, and the report be referred to the Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 3, by Bro. Branan, of Division No. 22 :

Resolved, That this Grand Division extend to Mr. Gibson their thanks and high appreciation of the courtesies shown Bro. Morse in his noble enterprise. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Bro. Whissen, of Division No. 17 :

That none of the proceedings of this convention be given to any reporters for publication without the consent of the Grand Division. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 4, by Bro. M. L. Smith, of Division No. 13 :

Resolved, That this Grand Division be governed by the following rules :

Call to order at 9:30 A. M.

Adjourn for dinner at 1 o'clock P. M.

Re-assemble at 2:30 P. M.

Close for the day at 6 P. M., Omaha time. Resolution adopted.

Preamble and resolution No. 5, by Bro. J. H. O'Bryan, of Division No. 35 :

WHEREAS, Bro. W. H. Morse has earnestly and honestly devoted his time and attention for the past year to the publishing of our magazine and organizing new divisions, bearing his own expenses personally while so doing ; and

WHEREAS, In these labors, so zealously prosecuted by him, he has saved our Order from the disgrace of failure, both in the magazine and in the field, the latter as far as the West is concerned, the former nationally ; and

WHEREAS, He has been to a personal expense of seven hundred dollars over and above the salary allowed him by our last session of the Grand Division in this work ; and,

WHEREAS, We recognize (as do members and divisions all over our land), the able, efficient and earnest manner in which he has performed his duties, taking into consideration the trouble and labor consequent upon organizing such an enterprise, and believing and acting upon the principle of equity and justice as we propose ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Grand Division vote and require an order drawn upon our Grand Treasurer for the payment of seven hundred (\$700) dollars to the said Bro. W. H. Morse to compensate him for the said past year's service. Resolution adopted.

Adjourned at 6 o'clock P. M.

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, No. 35, }
OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 8, 1876. }

Grand Division met as per adjournment at 9:45 A. M., and was called to order by G. C. C. Collins.

The following delegates presented their credentials and were admitted to seats in the convention :

Geo. W. Bull, Division No. 38 :

Geo. P. Smith, Division No. 42, by proxy.

Ben. M. Gillman, Division No. 44.

John A. Shipman, Division No. 47.

F. E. Kimball, Division No. 40.

Resolutions Nos. 6, 7 and 8, by Bro. Whitman, of Division No. 2 :

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

That an order be drawn on the Treasurer for five hundred dollars in favor of W. H. Morse for salary for editing the C. B. magazine for the year ending December 31, 1876. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 9, by Bro. Whissen, of Division No. 17 :

Resolved, That the G. R. S. give the Committee on Credentials a complete list of Grand Officers and delegates, and add thereto the names of visiting members. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 10, by Bro. Archer, Division No. 14 :

Resolved, That the Grand Division grant an audience to Mr. R. A. Cowell, of Cleveland, Ohio, to represent the qualities of his invention to the brothers to-morrow afternoon before going into secret session. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 11, by Bro. Schmick, of Division No. 27 :

Resolved, That the time of holding the annual meeting of the Grand Division be changed to the first Tuesday in October.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolutions Nos. 12 and 13, by Bro. Schmick, of Division No. 27 :

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolutions Nos. 14 and 15, by Bro. Whitman, of Division No. 3 :

Referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Bro. A. Hedges, of Division No. 6, preferred charges against Bro. Wm. Delaney, delegate from Division No. 25, for drunkenness and conduct unbecoming a brother.

Resolution No. 16, by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

Resolved, That Bro. Delaney, delegate from Division No. 25, be excluded from the G. D. during the present session, and that Division No. 25 be instructed to investigate his conduct in accordance with law.

Amendment to the above resolution, by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 :

That the G. C. C. appoint a committee of three to investigate the charges instead of Division No. 25. Resolution adopted.

The G. C. C. appointed Bros. Boyles, Surles and Bryant, committee on investigation.

Motion by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 :

That all matter pertaining to the case of Bro. Delaney be laid on the table until this afternoon. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

That all matter pertaining to changes in our laws intended for the Committee on Constitution and Laws be submitted by 6 o'clock this afternoon. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Stanchfield, of Division No. 30 :

That the G. R. S. shall procure suitable badges for all members of the Grand Division, at each annual session, with the following inscription thereon : "Grand Division Conductors' Brotherhood." For Grand Officers, the words, "Grand Officers," and for Delegates the word "Delegate," with the name of the city and year in which said Grand Division is held.
Motion lost.

Resolution No. 17, by Bro. Hedges, of Division No. 6 :
Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 18, by Bro. Schmick, of Division No. 27 :
Referred to Committee on Finance.

Resolution No. 19, by Bro. Stanchfield, of Division No. 30 :

Resolved, That a committee of one be appointed to draft a charter for sub-divisions and present it to the Grand Division at its next session.
Rules suspended and the resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 20, by Bro. Stanchfield, of Division No. 30 :

Resolved, That a special committee of one be appointed to prepare a new form of traveling card for use of members of the Order, and present it at the next session of the Grand Division.
Referred to Committee on Printing.

Resolution No. 21, by Bro. Branan, of Division No. 22 :
Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 22, by Bro. Archer, of Division No. 14 :
Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 23, by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 :
Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution Nos. 24 and 25, by Bro. Hughey, of Division No. 11 :
Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 26, by Bro. Hollinshead, of Division No. 52 .

Resolved, That our G. C. C., W. L. Collins, be appointed a committee of one to draft a form for a new charter for subordinate divisions. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 27, by Bro. Knapp, of Division No. 9 :
Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 28, by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

Resolved, That the Committee on Work be and are hereby instructed to report to this G. D. an opening and closing ceremony for future Grand Divisions ; also, a degree to be known and styled as a P. C. C. degree.

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolutions Nos. 29 and 30, by Bro. Whissen, of Division No. 17, relative to the ritual, was referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 31, by Bro. Evarts, of Div. No. 3 :

Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 32, by Bro. Knapp, of Division No. 9 :

Referred to Committee on Printing.

Resolution No. 33, by Bro. Archer, of Division No. 14 :

Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution Nos. 34 and 35, by Bro. Evarts, of Division No. 32 :

Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 36, by Bro. Rand, of Division No. 28 :

Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 37, by Bro. Bryant, of Division No. 19, relative to changes in the ritual :

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 38, by Bro. Morse, of Division No. 35, relative to changes in the ritual :

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 39, by Bro. Sharp, of Division No. 39, and Resolution No. 40, by Bro. Hedges, of Division No. 6 :

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 41, by Bro. Brown, of Division No. 7 :

Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 42, by Bro. Archer, of Division No. 14 :

Resolved, That a special committee of three be appointed to receive all matter concerning the Conductors' Brotherhood Insurance, and all such matter be submitted by Thursday, at 6 P. M., said committee to be members of the insurance.

Resolution adopted, and Bros. Archer, of Division No. 14, Bradley of No. 22, and Sharp, of No. 39, were appointed said committee.

Resolution No. 43, by Bro. Stanchfield, of Division No. 30 :

Resolved, That a special joint committee of three be appointed to draft a new Constitution and By-Laws, and change the Ritual to conform with the same, and present the same at the next session of the Grand Division.

Motion made to suspend the rules and adopt this resolution. Motion lost.

Resolution No. 44, by Bro. Branan, of Division No. 22.

Resolved, That when a brother is expelled for drunkenness, that a notice of such expulsion shall not be published in the magazine.

Motion made to lay the above resolution on the table. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 :

That the rules be suspended, and that we amend Section 2, Article 20, to read : "That the G. C. C. be empowered to appoint a delegate to represent any absent delegate." Motion lost.

Adjourned for dinner.

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, No. 35, }
OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 8, 1878, 3 P. M. }

Division called to order at 3 o'clock, Bro. W. L. Collins in the chair, and declared the Division ready for business.

The committee appointed to investigate the charges against Bro. Wm. Delaney, made the following report :

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Division :

We, the committee appointed to investigate the charges against William Delaney, delegate from Division No. 25, do find him guilty of drunkenness, which reflects upon the dignity of our noble Order, and we recommend that he be expelled from this Grand Division.

(Signed.)

J. WARD BOYLES,
A. BRYANT,
JOHN SURLES,
Committee.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

That we adopt the report of the Investigating Committee in the case of Bro. Delaney. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 45, by Bro. Archer, of Division No. 14 :

Resolved, That the Committee of Investigation be discharged, and that the Grand Recording Secretary be instructed to inform Freeport Division No. 25, of the action of this Grand Division in regard to their delegate and the cause therefor. Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Finance made the following partial report :

We, the Committee on Finance, recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 18, as offered by Bro. Schmick, and that an order be drawn on the Grand Treasurer for the amount due Susquehanna Division, No. 27, and that the same be paid to the editor of the magazine.

(Signed.)

J. WARD BOYLES, Chairman.

Resolution No. 46, by Bro. Evarts, of Division No. 32 :
Referred to the Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 47, by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 :
Referred to Committee on Finance.

Motion by Bro. Stanchfield, of Division No. 30 :

That the G. R. S. call the roll of officers and delegates after the opening of each session, and absentees noted. Motion lost.

Resolution No. 47, by Bro. Sharp, of Division No. 39 :
Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 48, by Bro. Whissen, of Division No. 17; Resolution No. 49, by Bro. Davidson, of Division No. 37; Resolution No. 50, by Bro. Hollinshead, of Division No. 52 :

Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 51, by Bro. Branan, of Division No. 22, relative to password in first degree :

Referred to Committee on Work

Resolution No. 52, by Bro. Evarts, of Division No. 32, pertaining to the Ritual :

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 53, by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :
Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 54, by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 .

Resolved, That this Grand Division direct a tasty, suitable token of gratitude to be furnished the different railroad superintendents who have so kindly recognized our Order and have manifested an interest in its welfare. That the G. C. C. appoint a committee of three members of this G. D. to draft a proper design or emblem, and contract for such and deliver them to the G. R. S. for such superintendents, the cost of which will be paid out of the Grand Treasury, and an assessment be made on subdivisions necessary to cover the expense thereof.

Resolution adopted, and committee, consisting of Bros. Boyles, McElroy and Morse, was appointed.

Resolution No. 55, by Bro. Evarts, of Division No. 3 :

Resolved, That it is the opinion of the Officers and Delegates of this Grand Division that Mr. R. A. Cowell's "patent platform and coupler" is an invention of great importance ; that we consider it worthy of acceptance by railroad companies as of great importance in the saving of property and for the safety of railroad employees. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 56, by Bro. Whitman, of Division No. 2 :

Resolved, That there be a committee of three appointed to tender an invitation to the Mayor and City Council of the city of Omaha and the reporters of the various newspapers of said city to visit this G. D. on Friday afternoon, at 8 o'clock. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 57, by Bro. Morse, of Division No. 35 :

Resolved, That this Grand Division accept an invitation tendered by the Rector of Trinity Church, to attend divine service at that place of worship, on Sunday, November 12, and that they assemble at the "Grand Central" at 10 A. M., and march to the church in the following order :

First, Grand Officers elect. Second, Retiring Grand Officers. Third, Delegates. Fourth, Visiting brothers. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Bro. Morse, of Division No. 35 :

That we hold a night session on Wednesday evening, November 8, commencing at 8 o'clock. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 58, by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

Resolved, That the P. G. C. C., G. C. C. and A. G. C. C. be and are hereby designated as a committee to draft suitable resolutions to express our deep sorrow and heartfelt regrets for the loss we have sustained in the death of our beloved brother, Lewis Kugler, Grand Outside Sentinel. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 59, by Bro. Morse, of Division No. 35 :

Resolved, That the time be limited to 9 o'clock P. M., Wednesday, November 8, for reception of Resolutions on Work. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 60, by Bro. Branan, of Division No. 22 :

Resolved, That the word (* * * * *) on page 24 of the Ritual be stricken out and the word (* * * * *) substituted.

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 61, by Bro. Whissen, of Division No. 17 :

Resolved, That the election of Grand Officers take place on the assembling of the Grand Division on Saturday morning. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 62, by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

Resolved, That the resolution limiting the time to submit matter affecting our laws be reconsidered. Resolution lost.

Motion by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 :

That we take a recess for twenty minutes, and that the doors be closed and no member be allowed to leave. Motion lost.

Resolution No. 63, by Bro. Branan :
Referred to Committee on Finance.

Resolution No. 64, by Bro. Smith, of Division No. 13 :
Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Motion by Bro. Sharp, of Division No. 39 :

That Bro. Long, G. R. S., assist Bro. Morse in giving the city press a correct list of names of all officers and visiting brothers, with name and place of residence. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 65, by Bro. O'Bryan, of Division No. 35 :

Resolved, That this Grand Division invite the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers to meet with us on Friday evening, Nov. 10, 1876, at 8 o'clock, in this hall.

Amended to read 4 o'clock P. M. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 :

That this Grand Division take a recess until 8 o'clock P. M. Motion carried.

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, No. 35, }
OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 8, 1876, 8 P. M. }

• Grand Division met at 8 o'clock and was called to order by Wm. L. Collins, G. C. C., and declared ready for business.

Resolution No. 66, by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be tendered, in connection with those of Omaha Division, No. 35, to the different Orders who occupy this hall, for their kindness extended to this Grand Division. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 67, by Bro. Morse, of Division No. 35, referring to a change in the Ritual ;

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 68, by Bro. M. L. Smith, of Division No. 13, relative to duties of C. C. of Subordinate Divisions.

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 69, by Bro. Sharp, of Division No. 39 :

Resolved, That 5 o'clock, Thursday evening, November 9, be set as the last hour on which matter pertaining to insurance will be received. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 70, by Bro. Davidson, of Division No. 37, relating to a change in the Ritual.

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 71, by Bro. Sharp, of Division No. 39 .

Resolved, That Friday morning, November 10, 1876, at 10 o'clock, be the time set for the report of the committee appointed on the Grand Chief Conductor's report. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 72, by Bro. Smith, of Division No. 13, relative to supplies for sub-division. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 73, by Bro. Davidson, of Division No. 37 :

Resolved, That all divisions that have not purchased new rituals, be ordered to do so at once and return the old ones to the G. R. S. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 74, by Bro. Hollinshead, of Division No. 52 :

Resolved, That a committee of one be appointed to furnish divisions with such a draft of the — and —, as will enable them to procure their own supplies. Resolution adopted.

Bro. M. L. Smith was appointed committee mentioned in Resolution No. 74.

Resolution No. 75, by Bro. Sharp, of Division No. 39 :

Resolved, That the Conductors' Brotherhood Insurance be placed in series, and not embrace the whole Brotherhood, as it does now.

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

Resolution No. 76, by Bro. Long, of Division No. 23 :

Resolved, That Article 10 of the Insurance be changed to read, (after the word "performing") "the duties of a Conductor, he shall receive the amount due on his policy the same as in case of death."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

Resolution No. 77, by Bro. N. C. Cooper, of Division No. 33

Resolved, That any member of the C. B. Insurance, having been a member of the same for fifteen years, shall have a right to withdraw from the same and receive the amount actually paid into said Association, by him surrendering his policy. Any policy so surrendered shall never again be received in this association.

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

Resolution No. 78, by Bro. Hollinshead, of Division No. 52, relative to the number of delegates from sub-divisions having fifty or more members.

Referred to Committee on Constitution and Laws.

Resolution No. 79, by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 :

Resolved, That the seal on the credentials of Bro. Sharp and approved by his division, be made legal by this G. D.

Amended by Bro. Long, of Division No. 23, so as to read : "That the seal of Central City Division, No. 39, be made legal by this Grand Division." Amendment accepted and resolution adopted.

Adjourned until November 9, 1876

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, No. 35, }
OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 9, 1876, 9:45 A. M. }

Grand Division opened in regular form by G. C. Collins and declared ready for business.

A. Bryant, delegate from Bloomington Division, No. 19, presented a communication from Mr. Joseph Packard, asking for an appeal from the decision of Aurora Division, No. 28, C. B., asking that they be compelled to reinstate him. Communication accepted by the Grand Division and immediate action taken thereon. After hearing all evidence, as presented by parties interested, the following resolution, No. 80, by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43, was offered :

Resolved, That this Grand Division sustain the acts of Division No. 28, in the expulsion of Mr. Joseph Packard. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 81, by Bro. O'Bryan, of Division No. 35 :

Resolved, That this Grand Division grant a dispensation to Omaha Division, No. 35, to propose, elect, and confer the degrees on Mr. E. H. Owens at the same meeting. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 82, by Bro. Sharp, of Division No. 39 :

Resolved, That Bro. M. L. Smith be authorized to get up a — for the use of this Grand Division. Resolution adopted.

The Grand Recording Secretary read the following annual report of all financial business transacted by him during the fiscal year ending November 1, 1876, which was referred to the Finance Committee.

OFFICE OF GRAND RECORDING SECRETARY,
FORT WAYNE, Ind., Nov. 1, 1876.

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Delegates of the Ninth Annual Session of the Conductors' Brotherhood.

BROTHERS—I have the pleasure of submitting to you this, my annual report, for the fiscal year ending November 1, 1876:

New Divisions organized during the year.....	14
Divisions reinstated.....	1
Divisions not working.....	4
Total number of members, November 1, 1876.....	1,108
Increase of membership during the year.....	334
Expulsions.....	99
Deaths.....	8
Number of Divisions reported for 1876.....	46
Number of Divisions failing to report.....	5

		Dr.	Cr.
1875.			
November	6, By Cash from A. Vannaman for charter.....		\$ 10 00.
December	9, To express charges on minutes from Atlanta.....	\$1 05	
"	9, " Freight and drayage on G. D. books.....	1 50	
"	9, " 100 postage stamps.....	3 00	
"	12, " ½ ream foolscap, @ \$4.....	2 00	
"	12, " 2½ quires manilla paper, @ 20c... ..	50	
"	12, " 2 packages of envelopes... ..	35	
"	12, " 2 quires writing paper @ 20c.....	40	
"	12, " 1 quire legal cap.....	35	
"	23, " 1 ball twine.....	25	
1876.			
January	1, By cash from Division No. 36.....		2 35
"	3, " Cash from Division No. 4, per Packard.....		19 00
"	8, To one set of books.....	10 75	
"	12, By cash for Stewart charter.....		10 00
February	1, To one box envelopes.....	1 50	
"	2, By cash for Elden charter.....		10 00
"	6, To 50 postal cards.....	50	
"	6, " Postage stamps.....	50	
"	17, " 850 printed proceedings.....	80 00	
"	17, " 10 pages additional.....	16 66	
"	17, " Extra matter—Savannah excursion.....	5 00	

February	17, To 1,200 Constitutions and By-Laws..	\$60 00	
"	17, " 300 traveling cards.....	4 50	
"	17, " 300 Ritual circulars—(opening)...	2 50	
"	17, " 300 Ritual circulars—(changes)...	2 50	
"	17, " 12 R. S. receipt books.....	6 00	
"	17, " Drayage on supplies.....	25	
"	12, By Cash from No. 38.....		\$ 11 15
"	15, " Cash from Grand Treasurer.....		100 00
"	21, " Cash from No. 13.....		55
"	23, " Cash from No. 11.....		70
"	28, To 100 postage stamps.....	3 00	
March	4, By Cash from No. 12.....		3 00
"	8, " Cash from No. 9.....		5 40
"	10, " Cash from No. 33.....		5 50
"	15, " Cash from No. 31.....		6 00
"	16, " Cash from No. 32.....		6 00
"	16, To 100 letter heads.....	6 00	
"	16, " 12 receipt books.....	6 00	
"	16, " 12 order books.....	6 00	
"	18, By cash from No. 38.....		3 77
"	21, " Cash from No. 16.....		2 70
"	24, " Cash from No. 3.....		6 50
"	25, " Cash from No. 28.....		5 50
"	28, " Supplies for insurance.....	3 51	
"	28, " Supplies for Grand Division....	35	
"	20, " Cash from No. 20.....		3 50
"	30, " Cash from No. 18.....		2 50
April	3, " Cash from No. 14.....		2 50
"	15, " Cash from No. 9.....		1 10
"	15, " Cash from No. 13.....		6 50
"	12, " Cash from No. 12.....		1 00
"	15, " Cash from No. 29.....		13 00
"	15, To 1 pint Arnold's ink.....	50	
"	15, " 1 bottle mucilage.....	25	
"	20, By Cash from No. 37.....		2 25
"	24, " Cash from No. 29.....		1 00
"	25, " Cash from No. 41.....		10 00
May	5, " Cash from No. 3.....		8 06
"	5, To 100 postage stamps.....	3 00	
"	16, By Cash from No. 42.....		10 00
"	16, " Cash from No. 8.....		6 50
"	22, " Cash from No. 19.....		1 40
"	25, " Cash from No. 6.....		12 55
"	25, " Cash from No. 33.....		1 30
"	29, " Cash from No. 11.....		8 10
"	31, " Cash from No. 26.....		9 50

June	2, By Cash from No. 36.....	\$ 1 10
"	19, " Cash from No. 48.	20 75
"	15, To 250 envelopes.....	\$ 1 50
"	15, " 500 propositions for membership..	7 50
"	15, " 2,000 notices of dues.....	7 00
"	15, " 12 order books.....	7 50
"	15, " 50 notices of expulsion.....	1 00
"	18, " 100 rituals.....	45 00
"	18, " 1,000 traveling cards.....	6 00
"	18, " 12 receipt books.....	7 50
"	18, By Cash from No. 44 ...	19 75
July	1, To interest on borrowed money	7 50
"	3, By Cash from No. 45.....	23 15
"	8, " Cash from No. 42.....	12 21
"	10, " Cash from No. 41.....	9 80
"	10, To 1 and 2 cent stamps.....	50
"	10, " 100 postage stamps.....	3 00
"	12, " 500 withdrawal cards.....	3 75
"	12, " 500 credentials.....	3 75
"	18, By Cash from No. 25.....	6 50
"	18, " Cash from No. 35... ..	5 00
"	18, " Cash from No. 46.....	22 35
"	19, " Cash from No. 40.....	23 25
"	20, " Cash from No. 41.....	3 20
"	24, To 2,000 notifying blanks.....	6 50
"	24, " 12 Treasurers' receipt books	7 50
"	24, By Cash from No. 35.....	2 35
"	25, To drayage on supplies and express charges.....	55
"	25, By Cash from Grand Treasurer.....	34 00
"	28, " Cash from No. 26.....	3 00
"	30, " Cash from No. 47.....	22 05
"	31, " Cash from No. 23.....	5 10
August	5, " Cash from No. 41.....	50
"	21, " Cash from No. 17.....	1 17
"	29, " Cash from No. 39.....	26 18
"	29, " Cash from No. 48.....	23 40
"	29, " Cash from No. 49.....	20 75
"	29, " Cash from No. 50.....	22 35
September	1, To stamps and envelopes.....	9 64
"	1, " 39 rituals.....	5 85
"	3, " Index, blank books and paper....	55
"	4, " 200 circulars.....	3 00
"	4, By Cash from No. 40.....	50
"	10, " Cash from No. 23.....	1 50
"	25, To 12 R. S. receipt books.....	7 50

September	25,	To 100 notices of expulsion.....	\$3 00
"	25,	" 100 circulars for railroad officers..	2 50
"	25,	" 100 circulars.....	1 50
"	25,	" 2 packages of large envelopes.	50
"	26,	By Cash from No. 52.....	\$16 05
"	30,	" Cash from No. 41.....	9 00
"	30,	" Cash from No. 37.....	9 12
October	1,	" Cash from No. 46.....	5 00
"	11,	" Cash from No. 24.....	6 41
"	11,	" Cash from No. 32.....	19 50
"	11,	" Cash from No. 40.....	11 00
"	11,	" Cash from No. 45.....	6 55
"	14,	" Cash from No. 47.....	6 00
"	16,	" Cash from No. 17.....	15 50
"	16,	" Cash from No. 52.....	7 93
"	16,	" Cash from No. 7.....	10 63
"	16,	" Cash from No. 33.....	12 00
"	16,	" Cash from No. 28.....	16 38
"	16,	" Cash from No. 50.....	8 00
"	16,	" Cash from No. 38.....	5 50
"	18,	" Cash from No. 43.....	6 10
"	18,	" Cash from No. 11.....	14 00
"	20,	" Cash from No. 15.....	21 95
"	20,	" Cash from No. 9.....	15 85
"	20,	" Cash from No. 38.....	12 88
"	20,	To 100 postage stamps.....	3 00
"	20,	" 1 rule, 1 bottle carmine ink.....	35
"	20,	By Cash from No. 25.....	8 00
"	21,	" Cash from No. 49.....	6 00
"	21,	" Cash from No. 22.....	10 30
"	23,	" Cash from No. 23.....	16 50
"	24,	" Cash from No. 12.....	19 50
"	24,	" Cash from No. 14.....	12 50
"	24,	" Cash from No. 26.....	9 00
"	24,	" Cash from No. 30.....	21 00
"	24,	To express charges on money from No. 26.....	25
"	24,	" Stamps and envelopes.....	1 00
"	25,	By Cash from No. 31.....	9 50
"	25,	" Cash from No. 42.....	6 55
November	1,	To draft on New York.....	1 20
Total debit and credit to November 1, 1876..			\$383 56
			\$972 99
			383 56
Cash on hand			\$589 43

Resolution No. 83, by Bro. Morse, of Division No. 35 :

Resolved, That to avoid the danger of infringement, the "Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine" be copyrighted and a committee of one be appointed for this duty, and all expenses attached thereto be defrayed by the Grand Division. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Bro. Boyles, of Division No. 43 :

That the Grand Chief Conductor be sustained in his action in reference to the resignation of the Grand Treasurer. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Sharp, of Division No. 39 :

That this Grand Division grant to Central City Division, No. 39, a new charter in exchange for the one they now have, free of cost. Motion carried.

Adjourned until 2:30 P. M.

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, No. 35, }
OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 9, 1876, 2:45 P. M. }

Grand Division opened in regular form at 2:45 P. M. and declared ready for business.

The Finance Committee make a partial report and recommended the adoption of Resolution No. 63, which reads as follows :

Resolved, That this G. D. order the amount paid by Gate City Division No. 22, for board of G. C. C. Cruzen, while attending the G. D. in Atlanta, paid back to said Gate City Division, No. 22; and, further, *Resolved*, that the above amount of nineteen dollars and fifty cents be placed to the credit of said division.

Report accepted and resolution adopted.

They further recommended the adoption of Resolution No. 18, which reads as follows :

Resolved, That the amount of nineteen dollars and fifty cents, which the G. R. S. books show to be credited to Division No. 27, be paid to the editor of the magazine, and applied to the credit of Division No. 27 for subscription to said magazine.

Report accepted and resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 84, by Bro. Champney, of Division No. 20 :

Resolved, That Article 9, of the insurance, commencing on line fourteen (old Constitution) shall read : "After due notice all Subordinate

Division Secretaries shall remit their assessments to the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, and he shall remit the amount to the proper persons, after the Executive Committee has approved the claim.

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

Adjourned until 9:30 A. M

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, NO. 35,
OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 10, 1876, 10:30 A. M.

Grand Division opened in due form and declared ready for business. Bro. Stanchfield, A. G. C. C., presiding.

Resolution No. 85, by Bro. Evarts, of Division No. 32 :

Resolved, That the Committee on Invitation be instructed to extend an invitation to the officers of the Union Pacific Railroad, the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad in Nebraska, and the Pullman Pacific Car Company to meet this body at 3 o'clock this afternoon. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Bro. Whissen, of Division No. 17 :

We, the undersigned, delegates to this Grand Division, who voted not to accept the report of the Committee on the G. C. C.'s address, desire to reconsider that vote. Motion carried.

Adjourned for dinner.

OMAHA, Nov. 10, 1876, 2:30 P. M.

The Committee on Invitation made the following report :

We, the Committee on Invitation, have invited the following named persons to meet with this body, in this hall, at 3 o'clock this afternoon :

To the Mayor and Council of the City of Omaha ; to the editors of the city papers ; the officers of the Union Pacific Railroad, the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad in Nebraska, and the Superintendent of the Pullman Palace Car Company.

The Grand Division called to order in open session at 3 o'clock for the purpose of receiving visitors, when the Hon. C. S. Chase, Mayor of Omaha ; George S. Miller, editor of *The Omaha Herald* ; T. L. Kimball, General Ticket and Passenger Agent of the Union Pacific Railroad ; William Irving, Superintendent of the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad in Nebraska ; L. M. Bennett, Superintendent of the Pullman Palace Car Company, accompanied by quite a number of other gentlemen, were admitted and introduced to the officers and members of the Grand Division.

G. D. called to order in regular session at 5 o'clock P. M., G. C. C. Collins in the chair, who declared the Grand Division opened and ready for business.

The Finance Committee made the following report on the annual report of the Grand Treasurer :

To the Officers of the Grand Division :

We find on examination of the accounts of our Grand Treasurer, that he received from W. L. Collins, Nov. 6, 1875, \$268.00 ; and that he had paid out as per receipts, \$267.55 ; leaving a balance on hand of 45 cents. He also paid out for money order and blank book, 95 cents ; leaving balance to his credit of 50 cents.

(Signed.)

J. WARD BOYLES,
MORT D. HUGHEY,
GEO. B. EVARTS,
N. C. COOPER,
E. G. WHITMAN,
Finance Committee.

On motion the report of the Finance Committee on the G. T.'s report was accepted.

The following communication was received and read, and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, No. 183, }
BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS. }

To the Officers and Delegates of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood, Greeting :

In behalf of Omaha Division, No. 183, B. of L. E., I have the honor of acknowledging the reception of your courteous invitation. I am further instructed to present to your august assemblage our sincere regrets at not being able, owing to the rush of business on our road at the present time, to secure members enough to make even a respectable representation of our Order. Again assuring you of our appreciation of your kindness, I subscribe myself, for the Division,

Yours most respectfully,

E. R. MATHIS, F. A. E.

The following communication was received and invitation accepted :

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood:

GENTLEMEN—I herewith tender to your honorable body a formal invitation to witness a display of the Omaha City Fire Department, at 9 o'clock, November 11, opposite the Omaha National Bank, corner of Douglass and Thirteenth street.

(Signed.)

J. W. GALLIGAN,
Chief of Omaha Fire Department.

The Committee on Finance made their final report as follows :

The Committee on Finance have examined the report of the editor of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine*, and find it correct, and recommend its adoption, and also the publication of the detailed report in the proceedings of this Grand Division. We also recommend that this Grand Division tender to Bro. Morse their most heartfelt thanks for the very creditable manner in which the publication of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine* has been conducted under his supervision.

In addition to the Grand Recording Secretary's report, we find the following divisions indebted to the Grand Division as follows :

Amboy Division, No. 1, from 1874.....	\$ 5 00
Wyoming Division, No. 5. No report.....	
Mountain City Division, No. 10. No report.....	
Columbia Division, No. 29. Amount of Grand Dues for 1876	
St. Louis Division, No. 50	50

The following divisions have a credit in their favor :

Altoona Division, No. 4....	\$10 00
Quincy Division, No. 17.....	2 14
Empire Division, No. 30.....	1 09
St. Joseph Division, No. 36.....	01
Hawk Eye Division, No. 41.....	12
Rocky Mountain Division, No. 43.....	03

We recommend that the amount due Altoona Division No. 4 be retained by the Grand Division until their Grand dues are paid. We also recommend that Neversink Division, No. 52, be exempt from Grand dues for the year 1876.

We recommend that a special assessment of fifty cents be made upon each and every member of the Conductors' Brotherhood, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of this session of the Grand Division ; the Grand Recording Secretary to notify sub-divisions to collect and forward the same to him at their earliest convenience.

We recommend that an order be drawn in favor of the Grand Chief Conductor and Grand Recording Secretary, for the sum of two hundred dollars each, they paying their own expenses during the session of this Grand Division.

We recommend that an order be drawn on the Treasurer in favor of Bro. Bradley, G. T., and Bro. Stanchfield, A. G. C. C., for a sufficient sum to compensate them for time and expense during the session of this G. D.

We also recommend an assessment of one dollar per member to defray the expenses of the Grand Division during the ensuing year.

We find the expenses of the Grand Chief Conductor, as presented in his address, to be fair, economical, and just, and recommend the adoption of that report and that it be ordered paid.

We recommend that this Grand Division tender to Bro. W. H. Morse their most heartfelt thanks for the very creditable manner in which the publication of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine* has been conducted under his supervision.

(Signed.)

J. WARD BOYLES,
MORT D. HUGHEY,
G. B. EVARTS,
N. C. COOPER,
E. G. WHITMAN,
Committee on Finance.

The Committee on Insurance made the following report :

To the G. C. C., Officers and Brothers:

The Committee on Insurance respectfully submit the following report :

On Resolution No. 75 we would report unfavorable.

On Resolution No. 76 we would report unfavorable.

On Resolution No. 77 we would report unfavorable.

On Resolution No. 84 we would report favorable.

Respectfully yours,

JAMES M. BRADLEY,
A. A. SHARP,
J. H. ARCHER,
Committee.

Motion by Bro. Smith, of Division No. 13 :

That we accept the invitation of the Rev. Pardee, to attend a lecture at his church Sunday evening, Nov. 12, at 7:30 P. M.

Motion carried and invitation accepted.

The Committee on the Annual Address of the G. C. C. beg leave to make the following report :

To the Grand Division :

We, the committee appointed, have examined the address of the Grand Chief Conductor, and find therein expressions of brotherly love and heartfelt interest for the honorable promotion of our noble Order. His opinions and recommendations have been referred to their respective committees.

We desire to refer to the case of John Mahan, of Division No. 37. The Grand Chief Conductor remarked, "That in the absence of any law of our Order, wherein a sub-division can disqualify its Chief Conductor, he, as the Grand Chief Conductor of this Association, felt it his duty to act as he did in the matter," and in the next expression he recommends the adoption of a law to govern the trial of a Grand Chief Conductor or any Grand Officer ; also the trial of the Chief Conductor of any sub-division.

We recommend an appeal from the decision of the G. C. C., contained in a letter to James F. Davidson, R. S., of Division No. 37, wherein he says, "That he claims that a Chief Conductor cannot be tried by his division unless that decision be reversed." All of which we approve and recommend to the members of this Grand Division.

(Signed.)

J. WARD BOYLES,
MORT D. HUGHEY,
J. F. DAVIDSON,

Committee.

Resolution No. 86, by Bro. Hughey, of Division No. 11 :

Resolved, That this Grand Division return to the delegate of Delaware Division, No. 37, all the evidence in the case of John Mahan, and that said division be instructed to take immediate action in the matter. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 87, by Bro. Crane, of Division No. 41 :

Resolved, That this Grand Division grant a special dispensation to Division No. 41, to remove their division from Davenport, Iowa, to Rock Island, Illinois, to enable them to better accommodate their members. Resolution adopted.

Adjourned until 9:30 A. M., November 11, 1876.

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, No. 35,)
OMAHA, NOV. 11, 1876, 10:15 A. M. }

Grand Division opened in regular form at 10:15 A. M., Grand Chief Conductor Collins in the chair.

Motion by Bro. Smith, of Division No. 13 :

That we accept the invitation of the Rev. Pardee to attend a lecture at his church Sunday evening, Nov. 12, at 7:30 o'clock. Motion carried.

Preamble and resolution by Bro. Branan, of Division No. 22 :

Inasmuch as it has pleased the Almighty Ruler of the Universe to call from our midst Bro. J. W. Fowler, the delegate-elect from Central City Division, No. 39, therefore be it

Resolved, That this Grand Division extend to his bereaved family our heartfelt sympathies in this their hour of affliction. Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Printing made the following report :

To the Officers and Members of this G. D. :

We, your Committee on Printing, beg leave to report favorable on the resolution to appoint a special committee of one to prepare a new form of traveling card for use of members of this Order, and recommend its adoption.

WM. L. COLLINS, G. C. C.,
C. A. STANCHFIELD, A. G. C. C.
S. C. W. LONG, G. R. S.,

Committee on Printing.

Resolution No. 88, by Bro. J. H. Archer, of Division No. 14 :

Resolved, That the G. R. S. be instructed to charge Division No. 20 with four dollars, that amount being due the Grand Division according to this annual report. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 89, by Bro. Evarts, of Division No. 32 :

Resolved, That a committee of three brothers be appointed to draft resolutions expressing the thanks of this Grand Division to all parties by whom courtesies have been extended to this Grand Division and its visiting members. Resolution adopted.

BRO. C. W. EVARTS,
BRO. J. WARD BOYLES,
BRO. C. A. STANCHFIELD.
Committee.

Adjourned for dinner.

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, No. 35, }
OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 11, 1876, 3 P. M. }

Grand Division opened in regular form, Wm. L. Collins, G. C. C., in the chair, who declared the Grand Division opened and ready for business.

The committee appointed to draft resolutions on the death of Bro. Lewis Kugler, Grand Outside Sentinel, submitted the following preamble and resolutions :

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Allwise Creator to call from our midst, and his sphere of usefulness here below, our beloved brother, Lewis Kugler ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Bro. Kugler the Brotherhood has lost one of its best members, one whom we all could take by the hand and call brother in all the meaning that endearing word implies.

Resolved, That we tender to the family of our deceased brother in their bereavement and hour of trial, our heartfelt sympathy, as they have lost a kind and affectionate husband, father and protector. That at the last great day their happy family may be united in that home above where pain and sorrow never come.

Resolved, That in the death of Bro. Kugler, this Grand Division has lost a faithful officer, our Order an able friend, and our members a true and worthy brother and fellow co-worker. That we ask all members to remember his many endearing qualities and cherish his memory.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the family of our deceased brother, and printed in the December number of our magazine.

(Signed.)

M. L. SMITH, P. G. C. C.,
WM. L. COLLINS, G. C. C.,
C. A. STANCHFIELD, A. G., C. C.

The following communication was received and read :

CUSTOM HOUSE, OMAHA, NEBRASKA, }
SURVEYOR'S OFFICE, NOV. 10, 1876. }

GENTLEMEN—Understanding that several railroad conductors are visiting our city, and having some twenty years ago worn the badge, I most cordially invite them and their ladies to make a visit through the United States custom house and postoffice building under my charge—you name the time. Very respectfully,

W. W. COPELAND.

Surveyor of Customs and X-Conductor.

To J. H. O'BRYAN, W. A. SMITH, W. H. MORSE, Omaha.

Motion by Bro. Stanchfield, of Division No. 30 :

That the report of the Committee on Constitution and Laws be accepted by the chair as read, if no amendments are offered. Motion carried

The Committee on Constitution and Laws made the following report :

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood:

Your Committee on Constitution and Laws respectfully beg leave herewith to submit a Constitution for the government of the Grand Division and sub-divisions, prepared out of the mass of matter submitted to your committee for their consideration. We desire to state that we deemed it wise to prepare a new Constitution to take the place of the very incomplete one that has heretofore governed the Conductors' Brotherhood. In preparing this we have endeavored to embody the ideas of all the brethren as near as could be, as expressed in their various resolutions; also the very valuable suggestions made by the Grand Chief Conductor in his annual address. Owing to the very limited time which your committee has had to prepare this, we do not claim it to be perfect, but believe it to be much better than the one that has heretofore governed us. We therefore submit it to your honorable body for consideration.

(Signed.)

S. McELROY,
J. H. O'BRYAN,
JAMES M. BRADLEY,
J. H. ARCHER,
ED. L. THURBER,

Committee.

An amendment to Section 9, Article 2, by Bro. Bryant, of Division No. 19, was offered, relative to the salary of the editor of the magazine. The amendment was to reduce the salary to one thousand dollars per year, and any sub-division requiring the services of the organizer to pay his expenses. Amendment lost.

On motion it was decided to hold a special session at 7:30 P. M.

Adjourned for supper.

HALL OF OMAHA DIVISION, No. 35, }
 OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 11, 1876, 7:30 P. M. }

Grand Division opened in regular form and declared ready for business.

Resolution No. 90, by Bro. Blakesley, of Division No. 23 :

Resolved, That this Grand Division remain in session, without adjournment, until the entire business of the Grand Division is complete. Resolution adopted.

The reading of the report of the Committee on Constitution and Laws was taken up. Objections being taken to Section 6, Article 2, Constitution for sub-divisions, the matter was left to a vote of the Grand Division, and the objections were not sustained. Objections to Section 6, Article 8, were not sustained. Objections were taken to Section 10, Article 6, but were not sustained. The Constitution was then declared adopted as read.

The following recommendations were received from the Committee on Constitution and Laws :

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the Grand Division :

BROTHERS—Your Committee on Constitution and Laws respectfully beg leave to report back for your consideration, the mass of matter submitted to them, and out of which we have prepared the Constitution which has been adopted by this body, and recommend that it be excluded from the printed proceedings.

(Signed.)

S. McELROY,
 J. H. O'BRYAN,
 J. M. BRADLEY,
 ED. L. THURBER,
 J. H. ARCHER,

Committee.

The above recommendation was received and adopted as read.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, that the G. S. and T. be authorized to use a sufficient sum of any money he may receive to pay the necessary expense of his office and all printing that he may have done. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 91, by Bro. Morse, of Division No. 35 :

Resolved, That the delegates of this Grand Division be instructed to notify the editor of the magazine the number of copies they will take and guarantee pay for, at their earliest convenience ; and divisions are instructed to work up as much larger list as possible, as the most feasible plan to replete our treasury. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 92, by the same :

Resolved, That the following be inserted in our proposition for membership : " Have you ever applied for membership in the Conductors' Brotherhood?" Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 93, by Bro. Bradley, of Division No. 22 :

Resolved, That any communication in the least personal or calculated to arouse an ill-feeling among the brothers, be prohibited from publication in the magazine. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 94, by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

Resolved, That the Grand Officers be elected to serve until the next annual meeting of the Grand Division, and the term of all sub-division officers shall expire on the first day of September, 1877, and that the term of all delegates in attendance at this session of the Grand Division shall expire on the same date. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 95, by Bro. Sharp, of Division No. 39 :

Resolved, That we strike out the ten words following the word "employees," on page 37 of the ritual. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 96, by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

Resolved, That charters of Divisions Nos. 1, 4, 5, 10 and 21, be, and the same are hereby declared forfeited. Resolution adopted.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

That the G. R. S. be instructed to have five thousand copies of the new Constitution printed. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Long, of Division No. 23 :

That the funeral services be stricken out of the ritual and printed in the back part of the new Constitution. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 97, by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

Resolved, That the Organizer, when instructing or instituting divisions, shall have the right to preside in such divisions. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 98, by Bro. Evarts, of Division No. 32 :

Resolved, That all changes made in the ritual at this session of the Grand Division be printed upon slips and furnished to sub-divisions. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 99, by Bro. Stanchfield, of Division No. 30 :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division are due, and are hereby tendered to Bros. W. H. Morse, as G. C. of C., Geo. B. Rand, G. I. S., Frank Stevens, G. O. S., and L. M. Blakesley, Assistant Grand Recording Secretary, for the able and courteous manner in which they have discharged the duties of their offices during the session of this Grand Division. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 100, by Bro. Evarts, of Division No. 32 :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood are due, and are hereby tendered to the officers and members of Omaha Division, No. 35, for their many kindnesses, their warm expression of brotherly love, and their untiring efforts to make our visit in this city pleasant and instructive. Resolution adopted.

The Committee on Work made the following report

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 11, 1876.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Division:

Your Committee on Work beg leave to report as follows, per resolutions :

We would recommend that a ceremony be adopted for the use of the Grand Division and to be styled only as Grand Division Ceremony, for opening and closing the same ; also, for changing the password for the first degree, and do further recommend the word —— for that purpose. We also recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 60.

W. H. MORSE,
A. A. SHARP,
J. C. WHISEN,
J. S. HOLLINSHEAD,
J. F. DAVIDSON,
Committee.

Report accepted and recommendations adopted.

Motion by Bro. Long, of Division No. 23 :

That an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the sum of forty-seven dollars and sixty-six cents (\$47.66) as per bill of Grand Chief Conductor. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Evarts, of Division No. 3 :

That an order be drawn on the Treasurer for the several amounts recommended for them. Motion carried.

The G. R. S. made the following report of the Insurance Association :

To the Officers and Members of the Ninth Annual Session of the Conductors' Brotherhood:

I would most respectfully submit to you the following report of the "Conductors' Brotherhood Mutual Life Insurance Association" for the fiscal year ending October 31, 1876 :

Balance due from Jos. Packard, former G. R. S.....	\$20 60
Receipts for certificates of membership.....	3 75
Received from J. Packard, on account.....	10 00
Expended for notices of deaths and postage.....	3 51
Number of members reported at last assessment.....	114
Number admitted to membership during the year.....	15
Number of deaths for which assessments have been made during the year.....	2
Number of deaths for which legal notices have been received during the year.....	3
Cash on hand, October 31, 1876.....	\$10 24

Yours in P. F.,

J. C. W. LONG, G. R. S.

The hour having arrived for the election of officers, the following brothers were appointed tellers: A. A. Sharp, B. F. Schmick and J. H. Archer.

G. C. C.: Wm. L. Collins elected by acclamation.

A. G. C. C.: J. H. O'Bryan, elected by acclamation.

G. S. and T.: J. C. W. Long, elected by acclamation.

G. C. of C.: The names of Bros. L. M. Blakesley and J. W. Surles were proposed.

L. M. Blakesley elected on first ballot.

G. I. S.: The names of Bros. J. W. Surles and Geo. B. Rand were proposed.

Geo. B. Rand was duly elected.

J. W. Surles was duly elected to fill the office of O. S. S.

Bro. C. A. Stanchfield was elected to fill the office of P. G. C. C.

Bro. W. H. Morse was elected Editor and Organizer, by acclamation.

Executive Committee: Bros. J. Ward Boyles and A. A. Sharp were elected by acclamation.

Bro. Geo. B. Evarts was elected on first ballot.

Elmira, N. Y., was chosen as the place of holding the tenth annual convention of the Conductors' Brotherhood.

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted by a unanimous vote:

OMAHA, Neb., Nov. 11, 1876.

WHEREAS, The many courtesies extended to the members of this Grand Division, and through them to all members of our Order, as an expression of our appreciation of the same, therefore be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Body and all members of the Conductors' Brotherhood are due, and are hereby tendered to Hon. C. S. Chase, Mayor of Omaha, A. J. Poppleton, Col. E. F. Smythe, Geo. Thrall, Esq., members of the city press, and other citizens of Omaha, S. H. H.

Clark, General Superintendent, and other officials of the Union Pacific Railroad, Hon. Leland Stanford, President, and other officials of the Central Pacific Railroad, and Utah Central and Virginia and Truckee Railroads. Wm. Irving, Superintendent of the Burlington and Missouri River Railroad in Nebraska, L. M. Bennett, Superintendent of the Pullman Pacific Car Company, and all other railway officials who have extended the courtesies of their lines to members of the Order. Furthermore, to the Knights of Pythias Hall Association, "Nebraska Lodge," No. 1, K. P., Omaha Division, No. 183, B. of L. E., and to the superintendent of the hall for kindly tendering its use during this session of the Grand Division.

C. W. EVARTS,
J. WARD BOYLES,
C. A. STANCHFIELD,
Committee on Resolutions.

Motion by Bro. McElroy, of Division No. 13 :

That we adjourn to meet in Elmira, N. Y., on the first Tuesday in October, 1877. Motion carried.

I hereby certify the foregoing to be a correct copy of the proceedings of the ninth annual session of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood, held in the city of Omaha, Nebraska, November 7, 1876.

J. C. W. LONG, G. R. S.

To Members of the Conductors' Brotherhood, Greeting:

Owing to the fact that the new Constitution, as adopted at this session of the Grand Division, will be ready for delivery previous to the time of the printed proceedings, we, your Committee on Printing, have decided not to have the same printed in the proceedings, thereby entailing a heavy expense to the Brotherhood ; but advise each division to give to each member a copy of the "New Constitution" with a copy of the proceedings.

Yours truly in P. F.,

WM. L. COLLINS, G. C. C.,
J. H. O'BRYAN, A. G. C. C.,
J. C. W. LONG, G. R. S.,
Committee on Printing.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD
AT THE
TENTH ANNUAL SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF ELMIRA, N. Y.,

OCTOBER 2, 1877.

(201)



JOHN C. LONG.

Grand Secretary.

Died Aug. 12, 1884.

"Dust, to its narrow house beneath!
Soul to its place on high!
They that have seen Thy look in death,
No more may fear to die."

PROCEEDINGS.

HALL OF ELMIRA DIVISION, No. 9, }
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD, }
ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 2, 1877. }

The Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood met pursuant to adjournment of regular session held in the city of Omaha, Nebraska, November 7, 1876, and was called to order by Bro. W. L. Collins, Grand Chief Conductor.

Officers present :

C. A. Stanchfield, P. G. C. C.
Wm. L. Collins, G. C. C.
J. C. W. Long, G. S. and T.

Officers absent :

John H. O'Bryan, A. G. C. C.
L. M. Blakesley, G. C. of C.
G. B. Rand, G. I. S.
J. W. Surlis, G. O. S.

The following named brothers were appointed a Committee on Credentials: C. R. Ashton, Oliver Perrin and M. W. Farley, who reported favorable upon the credentials of the following named delegates :

Chicago Div., No. 1, John R. Sandy.
Buffalo Div., No. 2, M. A. Shattuck.
Hornellsville Div., No. 3, G. W. Hardenburg
Marshall Div., No. 4, not represented.
Collins Div., No. 5, George Dewey.
Berkley Div., No. 6, A. J. Ringer.
Eureka Div., No. 7, C. W. Gates.
Crestline Div., No. 8, not represented.
Elmira Div., No. 9, C. S. Wheaton.
Southern Tier Div., No. 10, E. H. Owens.
Allegheny Div., No. 11, G. Coale.
Lackawanna Div., No. 12, J. W. Sillsbee.
Iron City Div., No. 13, not represented
Cleveland Div., No. 14, C. Corlet.
Monumental Div., No. 15, Oliver Perrin.

Newburg Div., No. 16, not represented.
 Quincy Div., No. 17, J. C. Whissen.
 Philadelphia Div., No. 18, Chas. Bockins.
 Bloomington Div., No. 19, not represented.
 Wellsville Div., No. 20, N. Champney.
 Gate City Div., No. 22, John P. Mayes.
 Wayne Div., No. 23, Peter W. Scott.
 St. Albans Div., No. 24, M. W. Farley.
 Freeport Div., No. 25, not represented.
 Caldwell Div., No. 26, Frank P. Van Cleaf.
 Susquehanna Div., No. 27, John W. Dent.
 Aurora Div., No. 28, not represented.
 Creston Div., No. 30, C. A. Stanchfield.
 Star Div., No. 31, C. R. Ashton.
 Keystone State Div., No. 32, C. J. Ramsey.
 Scioto Div., No. 33, John Kopp.
 Renovo Div., No. 34, H. V. Washburn.
 Omaha Div., No. 35, not represented.
 St. Joseph Div., No. 36, not represented.
 Delaware Div., No. 37, I. F. Davidson.
 Des Moines Div., No. 38, L. R. Carver.
 Central City Div., No. 39, not represented.
 College City Div., No. 40, F. E. Kimball.
 Hawkeye Div., No. 41, James Hemphill.
 Trenton Div., No. 42, T. P. Kelley.
 Rocky Mountain Div., No. 43, J. Ward Boyles.
 Denver Div., No. 44, J. C. W. Long.
 Watsach Div., No. 45, J. K. Hopkins.
 Laramie Div., No. 46, J. R. Brophy.
 Waterloo Div., No. 47, Geo. C. Newton.
 Moberly Div., No. 49, Alex. Rodgers.
 Silver State Div., No. 51, not represented.
 Neversink Div., No. 52, J. H. Kimball.
 Lone Star Div., No. 53, not represented.

Adjourned for dinner.

Grand Division called to order at 1.40 P. M. by C. A. Stanchfield,
 A. G. C. C.

Rules suspended and the G. D. proceeded to miscellaneous business.

The following resolution was adopted

Resolved, That no member shall be permitted to speak more than twice on any one question, and not more than ten minutes unless by consent of the Grand Division. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 1, by Bro. Davidson, of No. 37:

Resolved, That this Grand Division, during this tenth annual session, open at 9:30 A. M. and close at 12 M.; open at 1:30 P. M. and close at 6 P. M., Elmira time, and that all resolutions be submitted in writing by the member offering the same.

Amended by Bro. Wheaton, of Division No. 9, to read "open at 9 A. M."

Amendment accepted and resolution adopted.

Bro. Wm. L. Collins resumed his seat and read the following address and report:

ADDRESS OF GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR.

BRETHREN—God, the Grand Chief Conductor of all men and things, in His infinite wisdom and mercy, has prolonged our lives and permitted our beloved Order to exist for another eleven months, and we are again convened in Grand Division to take a retrospective view of matters and events connected with our Order—its operations, its growth, its influences during the interim since last we met, its present standing and its probable future. Also to enact such laws and rules and regulations as may be deemed necessary. Since last we met as a Grand Body events have occurred, many things have transpired that have tested our strength as an organization, our adherence to our principles and obligations, our interests in and love for our Order, and the efforts it put forth to create a kindly and co-operative feeling and interest between the employer and employe. It is unnecessary for me to revert to the late "unpleasantness" between railway corporations and their employes, the causes for the same, or the effects arising therefrom. Whatever may have been the cause, the effects, as all are aware, have been most disastrous to all concerned. I must say, however, that our organization nobly, grandly, stood the test, notwithstanding the powerful influences that were exerted by other organizations, individually and collectively, to induce us to unite with them in their unwise and desperate attempts to coerce them and our employers. Although we have not come through the fire entirely unscathed (for I regret to say that a few, comparatively, of our Order were so unwise as to permit themselves to be drawn within the whirlpool of folly and destruction and are to us no more). Nevertheless, we have great cause to thank God, and congratulate ourselves, that as an Order we have stood firm to our principles, adhered to our obligations, and maintained our manhood, and that to-day we are stronger in every respect, and command the confidence and esteem, not only of railroad corporations and their officials, but of the whole well thinking and law-abiding portion of the people of the entire country.

In reviewing all this, if I were in a Methodist class-meeting or love-feast instead of this Grand Division (and I do not know that it would be inappropriate even here), I would be very strongly inclined to raise my eyes toward heaven and exclaim, "Hallelujah! Glory be to God!"

At the opening session of the Grand Division in Omaha, in November

last, we were called upon to mourn the loss by death of our Grand Outside Sentinel, Bro. Lewis Kugler. At this time we are again called upon to mourn the loss of another of our members, Bro. James M. Bradley, our former Grand Treasurer, and a worthy and highly esteemed member, not only of Gate City Division, No. 22, but of the whole Brotherhood. It is unnecessary for me to attempt to eulogize his name or character. I will merely say that so far as my acquaintance with him extended I found him an honorable and faithful brother, and a consistent Christian, beloved the most by those who knew him best. May he rest in peace.

At our last annual meeting our Constitution was entirely revised, or in fact we adopted what was called a new one. Upon its reception in printed form, some time after my return home, I discovered some very serious errors and omissions, the causes for which I am unable to explain. The first to which I call your attention (it being of the most serious nature, and which has had a tendency to lead subordinate divisions to ignore the fact that this is a "Conductors' Brotherhood") is the omission of a clause in our former Constitution, and reads: "And has had one year's experience as a conductor" (each division to be the judge of what constitutes one year's experience). There is a very grievous error in Section 2, Article 5. It was intended that it should read: "Shall not be subject to a *reprint* for five years, all alterations or amendments to be printed in the book of proceedings of the Grand Division." The object was to save to subordinate divisions the expense of purchasing "new Constitutions" every year. In Article 2, Section 2, defining the duties of Grand Chief Conductor, occur the words: "Sign all warrants drawn on the Grand Treasurer by order of the Grand Division." As I have been obliged to sign orders during the past year other than those "ordered by the Grand Division," I would suggest that this section be amended so as to relieve my successor from the embarrassment to which I have been subjected. The clause in the same section defining the purposes for which the Grand Chief Conductor shall grant letters of dispensation, is very defective, being limited in power. Events occur and circumstances arise unthought of or not anticipated by the Grand or subordinate divisions, upon which immediate action is necessary, and for which action letters of dispensation are required. I would therefore recommend that the words commencing with "for the following purposes," and ending with "installation of officers," be stricken out or annulled, and that the following article, section or resolution be adopted: "Subordinate divisions shall not propose, elect and confer the degrees at the same meeting, confer the degrees upon members of other divisions, change their time and place of meeting, hold public installations of officers, make any change in the forms or ceremonies of the Order, or transact business other than that for which authority has been given by the Constitution or resolution of the Grand Division, without a dispensation from the Grand Chief Conductor." I would also recommend that the words "Wherever the Order has been established" be stricken out for the reason that there are members of the Order in some States and Territories where the Order has not been

established, who if they were clothed with authority might be induced to work up new divisions and thereby increase the growth of the Order. I also recommend that Section 9 of Article 2 be amended so as not to conflict with Section 4, same article, which it now does, and thereby prevent difficulty between the editor and Grand Secretary and Treasurer, and financial embarrassment to the Order. Here permit me to read an extract from a letter received by me from Bro. McElroy, Chairman of Committee on Constitution and Laws: "I would suggest that the clause reading 'They shall have full power over all Grand Officers and the editor of the magazine' be expunged from the Constitution." This clause does not seem to be fully understood by a large number of our brethren, and it is claimed that by it our Grand Officers are subject entirely to the views and opinions of the Executive Committee, and that by it the latter are endowed with the same powers, so far as interests the Grand Officers, as the Grand Division itself. As we have had no Organizer since the resignation of Bro. Morse, I would suggest that that office be combined with the office of G. C. C., that officer having power to delegate to his deputies or any brother he may select, the authority to organize divisions and install officers for the same, and that Article 3, Section 4, be so amended. I would also recommend that Section 1, Article 5, be hereafter strictly enforced. I am satisfied that dilatoriness in enforcing the requirements of the Constitution and the apparent winking at violations of the same by the Grand, as well as the subordinate divisions, is one great cause of want of interest manifested by a large number of our brethren, and the apathy and lethargy into which they have fallen. There is one section—No. 12, of Article 3—that some of our brethren persist in ignoring. I respectfully call the attention of this Grand Body to the fact and trust that when these representatives return to their respective homes they will call the attention of the brethren to this matter. I now come to speak of the insurance, and I regret exceedingly that neither Bro. Long nor myself are able to make as good a report on this subject as we could wish. There seem to be several causes which retard its growth and benefits. First, there are many mutual benefit or insurance associations in existence with which a large majority of our brethren are connected. Their membership being greater than ours, the premiums are also correspondingly greater, and it is difficult to persuade a brother to withdraw from one of these to join ours. In the second place, brethren do not seem to realize the benefits a brother's family would derive therefrom in the case of his death. Neither do they realize the benefits it would be to the Order and the great inducement for others to unite with us if they all became members of the insurance. Again, many of our sub-divisions have a mutual benefit association connected with their individual division. This, in my opinion, has been of more injury to the "Conductors' Brotherhood Mutual Benefit Association" and to the Order than any other thing. I could name several divisions that have become bankrupt and nearly totally demoralized in consequence of their "Mutual Benefit Society," and are almost, if not

entirely, unable to pay their indebtedness to the Grand Division. I have also heard of brethren suffering themselves to be expelled for non-payment of dues because they could not stand the continued drain upon their pockets in the attempt to sustain said society, and thus the Order has lost many a good member. In view of these facts I would recommend that Section 1, Article 4, page 25, of the Constitution, be so amended as to prevent any construction being placed upon it giving subordinate divisions the right to incorporate into their local by-laws a "Mutual Benefit Society."

During the past year I have in my official capacity as G. C. C. received and answered two hundred and fifty-one letters, many of them of vital importance to the Brotherhood. I have received applications for and granted charters to the following divisions :

December 14, 1876, Division No. 1, Chicago, Ill.
 February 7, 1877, Division No. 4, Marshalltown, Iowa.
 March 16, 1877, Division No. 10, Waverly, N. Y.
 April 25, 1877, Division No. 5, Baltimore, Md.
 April 25, 1877, Division No. 53, Corsicana, Tex.

I have during the past year granted the following dispensations :

January 8, 1877. To Division No. 40, to hold an election for Chief Conductor in place of Bro. Payson, resigned.

January 24. To Division No. 45, to convene at Ogden, Utah, for the purpose of initiating and conferring the degrees upon such candidates as had been previously proposed, elected, and who were unable to get to Evanston to receive the degrees on account of the distance and loss of time that would necessarily occur by so doing.

March 15. To Division No. 51, to confer both degrees on one or more candidates at the same meeting.

April 2. To Division No. 11, to change time and place of meeting.

April 17. To Division No. 53, to ballot for and confer both degrees on a candidate at the same meeting on account of distance and consequent inconvenience and loss of time in getting to the meetings.

April 19. To Division No. 8, to elect officers for the remainder of the year, and to change their place of meeting.

April 19. To Division No. 9, to change time and place of meeting ; also to confer second degree by communication upon Bro. Thomas N. Dutcher, who was about to remove to a distance.

April 29. To Division No. 53, to elect and confer degrees at the same meeting.

May 31. To A. B. Murphy, authorizing him to reorganize No. 48.

June 2. To Division No. 17, to change time and place of meeting.

June 6. To Division No. 18, to retain special assessment until the assembling of the Grand Division.

June 24. To Bro. J. W. Boyles, authorizing him to reorganize Division No. 44, at Denver, if possible, or organize a new division if more practicable.

June 28. To Harry Fox, of Division No. 41, to instruct Division No. 42 in the pass word and work.

July 5. To Division No. 53, to change their place of meeting from Corsicana to Denison, Tex.

July 14. To Division No. 39, to retain their charter and meet whenever possible, most of their members being absent during the sickly season.

July 29. To Division No. 25, to change time and place of meeting.

August 4. To Division No. 49, to change time and place of meeting.

August 4. To Division No. 23, to change place of meeting.

August 9. To Division No. 3, to elect officers on August 14, instead of the previous meeting, they not being able to obtain a quorum at last mentioned meeting.

August 27. To Division No. 30, extending time to render their annual report to the Grand Secretary and Treasurer.

September 5. To Division No. 49, to elect and install their officers at other than the time prescribed by the Constitution, on account of inability to obtain a quorum.

September 18. To Division No. 13, to suspend regular meetings for six months from October 1, 1877, on account of the condition of their division, subject, however, to the action of the Grand Division. Here permit me to request this Grand Body to take immediate action in this case, as I am of the opinion that I have been somewhat imposed upon by parties interested and that their intentions in obtaining the dispensation was to prevent a demand for the charter or surrender of the same for violation of the Constitution and obligation by engaging in railway strikes.

April 2. I authorized Bro. M. L. Smith to obtain charter, books, etc., from defunct Division No. 4, and forward the same to the Grand Secretary and Treasurer.

DECISIONS.

December 25, 1876. In the case of one Justice Hohl, who petitioned for membership in Division No. 36, was elected and notified to appear for initiation but failed to do so. He afterwards demanded the return of the initiation fee, as he did not wish to join. His excuse was that when elected the division did not appoint a committee to escort him to the hall for initiation.

I decided that when a candidate failed from any cause to appear within the required time he forfeited the fee and it was optional with the division to refund it or not.

December 26. In the case of Bro. E. S. Brooks, of former Division No. 1, I rendered the following decision :

There is but one course for him to pursue. If he was in good standing and square on the books of Division No. 1 at the time of its dissolution, and can furnish proof of that fact to the nearest division to his residence, upon the payment of one dollar said division can obtain from the G. C. C. a card good for six months, which will enable him to join any division he chooses.

within said time. If he has never received the degrees as now conferred, his card will entitle him to the first degree, but he will be obliged to pay two dollars for the second degree the same as any other member, but he must take them in the "natural way."

January 17, 1877. I rendered a decision that a P. C. C. had the right to install other officers of his division if called upon to perform said duty.

January 24. In reply to Bro. G. F. McEntosh, C. C. of No. 45, I decided that as ours was not a religious order, if a man came properly recommended and answered all questions properly we could not consistently refuse him admission even though he be a Mormon.

February 3. In reply to Bro. J. F. Fullerton, I gave as my opinion that it would not be unconstitutional to confer the degrees upon a candidate who had been regularly elected previous to his leaving the service of the railroad company, especially if he intended to again engage upon some road as conductor.

February 7. In reply to an appeal from Bro. Harry Fox, I decided that a division has no constitutional rights to receive a petition from a person who has not served the required time as a conductor, and that a brother did wrong by even presenting such petition, being aware of the facts.

I have made the decision contained in the following circular, in the matter of controversy between the editor of the magazine and the Executive Committee:

RAILWAY CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD,
OFFICE OF THE GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR,
HORNELLSVILLE, N. Y., Feb. 7, 1877. }

To the C. C., Officers and Members of Subordinate Divisions of the Conductors' Brotherhood:

Having been called upon as your G. C. C. to decide the question, "To whom shall we forward moneys received for subscription to the magazine?" I would refer you to Section 9, Article 2, New Constitution, commencing on the eleventh line, which reads: "He," (the editor,) "shall keep a correct number of all subscribers to the magazine, and an accurate account with each division, receive all moneys in the interests of the magazine and render unto the Grand Division at each annual session a correct statement of all moneys received and expended in its behalf." This is the law, and you will be governed accordingly.

WM. L. COLLINS, G. C. C.

I also append circular issued by Bro. Morse. That of the Executive Committee will be found in their report and is omitted here.

CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD,
OFFICE OF EDITOR AND GRAND LECTURER,
OMAHA, Feb. 1, 1877. }

BROTHERS—I wish to call your attention to the circular emanating from our Grand Executive Committee, in reference to the disposition of moneys collected in behalf of the magazine.

My desire is, at present, only to call your attention to the law upon this subject, and to ask a few pertinent questions relative to this matter, believing that this will suffice to counteract in your minds the injurious influence of said circular, if complied with.

I would first refer you to Article 2, Section 9, of our present Constitution, and relating to the magazine. The tenor of this article is very plain and cannot be mistaken, and a violation of this as well as any other law of our Order is an usurpation and infringement, a setting aside of which, either individually or collectively, is no more and no less than a flagrant violation of that sacred instrument upon which our whole fabric rests. Our Constitution is our guide, and if allowed to be trampled upon and disobeyed, where then is our bond of Fraternity?

First. Our Executive Committee have no control over sub-divisions, and cannot dictate to them with authority. If so, where is the law for it?

Second. No committee or body of men, aside from the Grand Division while in session, have the power to annul or enact a law for our government. The circular under consideration does this in more than one instance. It sets aside the law controlling the magazine. It enacts a new law, in ordering all moneys sent to the Grand Treasurer; also in increasing his bond; also in requiring the editor to draw by order upon him to pay incidental expenses, accruing thereto, and where is the law on the subject, or their authority for so doing? As editor of our magazine, I cannot draw an order upon the Grand Treasurer, because there is no law to sustain me in so doing, and in the absence of any authority how do I know it would be honored?

The printers of the magazine have a contract for their money each month, on delivery of the work, and the postage has to be paid before the magazine can be mailed, and I am unable to fulfill my contract to them under the arrangement that is being foisted upon me.

Whoever heard of such an enterprise being conducted on such a plan? Must printers, book binders and the postal department wait for an order to be drawn upon our Grand Treasurer, and sent 2,000 miles to the Grand Chief Conductor to be approved, and returned to the Grand Treasurer, and the funds forwarded to me before they can get their pay, and all of this at the risk of approval? "Oh, consistency, thou art a jewel!" The magazine is at present on a good foundation, and must its farther success be strangled and retarded? Must my labors lose their efficiency? They surely must, if fettered in this manner. In assuming control of the magazine and field, I sensed fully the responsibility, having no desire but the good of the Order at heart, and believe the labor of the past year is a sure guarantee to you of this, when considering the unfavorable circumstances under which I labored, and only asked, as I do now, for your support, and only within the pale of the law; and I hereby RECOVENANT myself with you in fidelity and integrity to do good and true work for the sure and speedy advancement of our cause. Divisions are requested to increase their subscription lists to their utmost, so I can form some approximate of each month's work.

Lists, together with all moneys collected in behalf of the magazine, to receive prompt attention, should be forwarded direct to me.

I desire you to consider this matter without bias and act upon it, letting me know at your earliest your conclusion. Hoping for the speedy advancement of our organization and the bright fruition of success for our magazine, I am, in *Perpetual Friendship*, yours,

W. H. MORSE.

February 13. In reply to Bro. J. T. Wiseman, referring to the case of a brother who had committed an offense, charges were preferred, he received a fair trial, was convicted and sentenced to a suspension for six months. At the expiration of the sentence he appeared for reinstatement, which on vote was denied him. Now the question of Bro. Wiseman was: "In what situation does this action of his division leave this brother? Does it impose upon him another sentence of six months—indefinite suspension or expulsion?" The following is my reply:

The division does wrong, perhaps unintentionally. No division has a right to try or punish a brother twice for the same offense. You no doubt gave him a fair trial and finding him guilty sentenced him to a suspension of six months from all the rights, privileges and benefits of the Order. At the expiration of the six months his term of punishment expired and he had a right to take his seat in the division without any further action. If he had not reformed and continued to conduct himself in a manner unbecoming a brother, you should have immediately preferred charges against him—tried him, and if found guilty sentenced him to such punishment as his offense merited. I will suppose a case: Suppose you should commit an offense against the laws of our country, and you should be tried, convicted and sentenced to six months imprisonment. At the expiration of the six months the judge and jury should assemble in court and by a vote should decide not to release you. Would that be law? Would it be justice? Your good sense answers No! No!! No!!! Now, my dear brother, must we not be governed by law, justice and right? Methinks I hear you answer Yes. Do not let the guilty escape but do justice to all.

February 24. Received a communication from J. H. O'Brian on the same subject and gave the same reply.

March 13. In reply to Bro. J. W. Dent, I decided that seven dollars covered the fee for both degrees; also if a brother was not six months in arrears for dues he was "square on the books," and entitled to all changes in the work; also that as D. G. C. C. he had the right to decide all questions of controversy in his district, subject, however, to an appeal.

March 14. I received a communication from Alex. R. Kerr, of Division No. 30, in reference to his suspension, and after proper investigation I decided to sustain Division No. 30, in their action.

March 24. In reply to Bro. J. W. Dent I decided that the only proper mode of procedure to obtain reinstatements before the term of suspension

had expired was by a regular written application for the same, and that a request for a reconsideration of a vote was not an application for restoration.

April 3. In reply to Bro. E. T. Wilson, of Division No. 49, I decided that there was nothing in our Constitution which prohibited a Chief Conductor *pro tem.* from conferring the degrees.

April 22. In reply to Bro. Joseph E. Sweet, of No. 15, I gave to the following questions the answers here accompanying them:

Question 1—Does the seven dollars initiation fee include both degrees?

Answer—Yes.

Question 2—Is it correct for the S. C. of C. to receive the *annual* password in the opening of a division?

Answer—No.

Question 3—Is it lawful to elect any other than one who has served as a C. C. to the office of P. C. C. when we have such brothers in the division?

Answer—No.

Question 4—Can we elect two persons for the office of P. C. C. at the same time and for the same term?

Answer—No.

Question 5—How long must a man serve as a conductor to become eligible for membership in our Order?

Answer—Although the present Constitution, through an error, is silent on this subject, it requires one year.

May 6. In reply to Bro. E. T. Wilson, of Division No. 49, I wrote as follows:

E. T. WILSON—*Dear Sir and Brother:* I shall now reply in full to yours of the 1st of May, although my time is somewhat limited. In my opinion a division should not grant a withdrawal card unless it is the intention of the brother applying for the same to remove to a distance and nearer to another division than the one from which he wishes to withdraw. Should the card be granted the brother would still be subject to discipline by the division issuing the card for any violation of the Constitution or laws of the Order, until he shall have united with some other division. This is the full sense and intent of Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, Article 5, of the Constitution governing subordinate divisions.

Should a brother desire to withdraw entirely from the Order, Section 6, of the same article, gives the "*modus operandi.*"

You will observe that it requires a two-thirds vote for the latter. Now, if the division has the interest of the Order at heart (and I believe it has) the brethren have an undeniable right to vote against granting a withdrawal card or for permission to withdraw from the Order under the circumstances, and they will vote so. Yours in P. F.,

WM. L. COLLINS, G. C. C.

May 24. I received a communication from Bro. Hy. Shew and an appeal from a decision of Division No. 15, by Bro. Joseph E. Sweet. As in my opinion there was a misunderstanding on the part of Bro. Sweet, and as the

matter is so voluminous and of no material interest or benefit at this time. I have omitted it from this report, but have copies of letters, etc., in my possession, and will submit them if it is the pleasure of the Grand Division.

June 20. Received a communication from Bro. J. C. Whissen asking if a C. C. had a right to withdraw charges against a brother after the committee had investigated and reported that the charges could be sustained, time set for trial, and the brother notified to appear for trial.

I decided that after the committee had reported, the trial must proceed: also that it was not good policy for any division to retain money fraudulently obtained, until after the close of the trial. This was money for dues after charges had been preferred. I also have been in correspondence with Bro. J. C. Whissen and others in reference to the case of Mr. Suthard, formerly of Division No. 6, now expelled, but as they informed me that the matter would be brought before this Grand Division for adjudication, I declined to further investigate. I have made a number of minor decisions on subjects upon which the Constitution and Ritual are so plain that I deem it unnecessary to include them in my report. I have heard with deep regret that the case of Joseph Packard would be again brought before this Grand Body. In my opinion the matter was finally settled by the Grand Division in November last year, and I sincerely trust that if any brother entertains the idea of again worrying the Grand Division with it he will change his mind and forbear.

During the past year I have had more cause than ever to notice the embarrassment in which divisions are placed by not being properly represented, or not represented at all, in the Grand Division. A large number of letters that I have received relate to this very subject. Numerous questions are asked which a proper delegate should be able to answer and thus save the G. C. C. an immense amount of writing, and the Grand Division considerable expense. Many divisions in consequence of their not being represented, go on from year to year in the same old rut, not aware of resolutions passed, amendments made in the Constitution, and changes in the Ritual, little dreaming that we live in a progressive age and that we *are* progressing, until they see someone else work or hear some more enlightened brother advance an idea; then they lift their hands in holy horror and exclaim: "That is not the way we were taught! We did not learn it so."

Since writing up my report for the past year, I have received a communication from Bro. Ed. L. Thurber, C. C., of No. 30, together with a statement of the condition of that division, also a petition from himself and a few others with a request which I lay before this Grand Body.

I herewith append my bill of expenses connected with my office as G. C., for the past fiscal year:

1876.				
November	11.	To amount voted me at Omaha for services for the fiscal year ending Nov. 9, 1876, salary.....	\$200 00	
"	11.	By Cash on the order for the above..	\$ 50 00	
December	14.	" " received from G. B. Rand, for charter, No. 1.....	10 00	
1887.				
February	7.	By Cash received from C. A. Stanchfield, charter, No. 4.....	15 00	
March	16.	By Cash received from Division No. 10, charter.....	15 00	
"	25.	By Cash received from Division No. 10, supplies.....	22 43	
"	23.	To Postoffice order to G. S. and T....		22 43
April	3.	By Cash from Bro. McSweeney, for card.....	1 00	
"	4.	To Cash to G. S. and T. (above).....		1 00
"	5.	By Cash for charter, No. 5.....	15 00	
September	22.	To bill for ½ ton coal for office.....		3 00
"	22.	" bill for circulars and letter heads..		12 50
"	30.	By cash received for magazines.....		
"	30.	To Cash paid for postoffice order.....		
"	30.	" Postage stamps for the year.....		
May	17.	" Telegrams to J. C. W. Long.....		1 35
"	17.	" Cash for postoffice order.....		25
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			\$237 93	\$256 41
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				237 98
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Balance due.....				\$18 48

Respectfully yours, in P. F.,

WM. L. COLLINS, G. C. C.

Motion by Bro. Davidson, of No. 37, that the address of the G. C. C. be accepted and referred to the appropriate committees. Motion carried.

A motion made that the G. S. and T. have until 1:30 P. M. to-morrow to complete his report, and that the time for the report of the Executive Committee be extended until to-morrow at 9:30 A. M. Motion carried.

The G. C. C. made the following appointments of committees:

On Constitution—M. A. Shattuck, E. H. Owen, N. Champney, C. Corlett, Peter W. Scott.

Committee on Finance—C. S. Wheaton, J. K. Hopkins, J. P. Mayes, J. C. Whissen, L. R. Carver.

Committee on Work—S. F. Davidson, G. Coale, F. E. Kimball, T. P. Kelley, J. R. Brophy.

Committee on G. C. C.'s Address—J. H. Kimball, George Dewey, John Kopp.

Adjourned at 6 o'clock, P. M.

HALL OF ELMIRA DIVISION, NO. 9, CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD, }
ELMIRA, N. Y., October 8, 1877. }

Grand Division called to order at 10 o'clock A. M., G. C. C. Collins in the chair.

Motion by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9 :

That Section 2, Article 5, be stricken from the Constitution.

Motion by Bro. Davidson, of Division No. 37 :

That the rules be suspended for the purpose of adopting the motion of Bro. Wheaton.

Motion carried, and Article 2, Section 5, was declared no longer in force.

The Executive Committee presented the following report, which was read by Bro. J. Ward Boyles, Chairman.

REPORT.

Grand Chief Conductor, Grand Officers and Worthy Brothers:

Your Executive Committee beg leave to submit their annual report, ending September 30, 1877, which is as follows:

In January last we issued a circular and forwarded to the Grand Secretary to distribute to sub-divisions, which reads as follows :

CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD, }
OFFICE OF CHAIRMAN GRAND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. }
LARAMIE CITY, Wyoming Territory, Jan. 1, 1877. }

BROTHERS—It is the judgment of the Grand Executive Committee—Bros. A. A. Sharp, G. B. Evarts and myself as Chairman of such committee, also that of the G. C. C., that all money received for subscriptions or for advertisements in *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine* be sent direct to the Grand Treasurer, Bro. J. C. W. Long, Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Secretaries of divisions will please send names of subscribers and the amounts to the Grand Treasurer, who, when found correct, will forward the names to the editor, who will furnish the copies required, also back numbers if necessary.

The editor of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine* will send all money in his possession or that may come into his possession, that belongs to the Brotherhood, to the Grand Treasurer at once, and when necessary he may draw on the Grand Treasurer, stating for what purpose, when, such being approved by the G. C. C., it shall be paid.

The bond of the Treasurer will be increased to five thousand dollars.

Hoping that every brother will exert himself in the honorable advancement of our Order, and the furtherance of our creditable organization,

I am yours in Perpetual Friendship,

J. WARD BOYLES, Chairman.

We felt the best interests of our Order needed a more perfect system upon which to conduct its financial and other important departments. We were confident our suggestions would be received and cheerfully accepted, but, very much to be regretted, some divisions misconstrued our good purposes and accused us of an attempt to make new laws or amend those already in our Constitution, which, if they had reflected a moment, they would have discovered was impossible to be done outside of the Grand Division. This fact we were well aware of, but to set aright those who failed to see our object and to relieve their minds of any injury to themselves or our Order, we issued the following circular the next month for the above named purpose:

FEBRUARY 1, 1877.

BROTHERS: Owing to the misunderstanding of the circular issued by the Grand Ex. Committee a month ago, I deem it my duty to you and justification to the recommendation of the circular to again address you and relieve your minds of any intent or attempt to suspend, amend or annul any portion of the Constitution, but we, as the guardians of the Conductors' Brotherhood, whom you have elected to that important position, do claim the right in the absence of any law to have the financial and other affairs of our Order conducted in such a manner as to avoid the charges of "criminal" or "neglect" brought against us, as well as violating the honor and obligation we owe our noble institution. We have detected a loophole and a possible chance for the organization to be defrauded or swindled, and it is our duty to prevent such an action; if we do not, we are as criminal as those who do the deed. We know full well that we cannot change the Constitution, but we do know we have the privilege to recommend such measures as will secure an honest, straightforward system of conducting the affairs of the Order, and had such precaution been taken before ex-editor Cruzen so dishonestly swindled our organization, which placed the Order on the brink of destruction and the effects of which are even felt to-day—being almost bankrupt—that disaster might have been avoided, our members more numerous and, I dare say, more harmony existing than we have to-day.

Considering the hasty manner in which the articles of the Constitution were adopted, it is not surprising that a law controlling the points at issue was overlooked, but now, when the Executive Committee see fit to draw a little tighter the cords on the very loose manner upon which the finance and success of our order depends, the editor, very much to our surprise, objects, and refuses to see the consistency of having but one treasurer.

Where is there an institution where two treasurers are necessary? and had the editor complied with the recommendations of the circular, no discord would have occurred.

The Constitution provides, "That he shall receive all moneys in the interest of the magazine," but does not allow him to hold it in trust. We have a Treasurer whom the Constitution says shall "receive all moneys from sub-divisions and other sources," of which the magazine must come under this clause. The circular does not say the editor shall not collect any money, but it provides a place for it after he does collect it. The Committee expected

that the editor would aid in establishing a perfect system to conduct the affairs of the Brotherhood and a saving to sub-divisions, in sending money and names direct to the Treasurer, thereby avoiding a double shipment and consequently a double cost. But, as he objects to this, the money must be sent to him and then to the Treasurer, showing the "jewel consistency."

The circular provides amply for him, for if he knows when the printers' bills and others are due, he could draw in advance of that time to meet them if he saw fit.

Then comes the question from a brother: "What right has the Executive Committee to increase the bond of the Treasurer?" I will answer: Every right that is given any executive committee, and I refer you to any parliamentary executive officer who has the success of his institution at heart, if we have done aught but for the welfare of the Order. Say, for instance, that the Conductors' Brotherhood was bequeathed five or ten thousand dollars between the sessions of the Grand Division, who would have power to increase the bond of the Treasurer to whom that amount would be given? I think you can answer this yourselves. Our Treasurer is willing to have his bond increased and has informed me so, and is waiting to have it done.

Now, in conclusion, I would ask you all what have the men to do whom you have chosen to watch over and guard the best interests of the Conductors' Brotherhood? Would you have them sit idly by and see pending dangers and make no effort to save you from destruction and disgrace, as has been attempted before? Or, would you rather that this noble monument now being reared, namely, the Conductors' Brotherhood, would be undermined, and, when seen tottering by us, to let it fall broadcast to the earth and destruction?

This we cannot do and be true to our Order, our obligation, or ourselves. The brethren who have written me on these subjects, I wish to assure that their suggestions and opinions were received with brotherly feeling; and I hope that every brother will exert himself to increase the subscription to the magazine, as also brotherly love upon which our noble and good work greatly depends.

I respectfully ask that persons sending names and money to the editor, will please send a duplicate of the names and state the amount of money sent with the same, to me, to aid the Executive Committee in conducting the affairs of the Order in a creditable and safe manner, so that when we are admonished of our approaching dissolution, we can resign our claim to earth, assured we have done all for the best interests of that noble, good association of Conductors.

Yours in brotherly love and confidence,

J. WARD BOYLES.

About April 18, 1877, I received a letter from G. C. C. Collins, with the resignation of Bro. W. H. Morse, as Grand Lecturer and editor of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine*, to take effect at once. I immediately wrote Bros. Sharp and Evarts, the other members of the Committee, requesting

them to come to Omaha as soon as possible to make the necessary arrangements of relieving the editor and continuing the publication of the magazine, but distance and business prevented them from reaching Omaha, but by letters I received I was ordered to act for them and that they would sanction what I did in the matter. Finding the editor unwilling to recognize me as proper authority to relieve him, I offered to show him authority from the G. C. C., but to no purpose. My endeavors were fruitless. I concluded not to delay, but to get out the May number myself, even at that late date, 26th of the month. With the assistance and kindness of Henry Gibson, publisher, and the Rev. I. N. Pardee, the May number was ready for distribution May 5. In the meantime I learned that the editor's books, communications, etc., had been forwarded to Fort Wayne, Indiana, after the editor was aware of my intention to get out the May magazine. I telegraphed Bro. Long for the books and necessary papers, which he forwarded without delay. I arranged, through the officers of our road, to change location. By it I would be able to run my train and keep the magazine going, and distribute them each month gratis (that is, my labor), but I found my run would not afford me the proper time, and I secured the assistance of the Rev. I. N. Pardee to secure continued stories and cuts or illustrations from persons whom he could, through friendship, secure them free of cost, and for which I agreed to pay him sixty dollars per month, this being a saving of ninety dollars per month, or a total of five hundred and forty dollars for six months, and if continued until January 1, 1877, seven hundred and twenty dollars. This saving was one reason why I saw fit to manage the publication myself; another was that the time was not far distant when the Grand Division would meet and their choice would be permanent; and still another reason, I knew of no one who would be willing to take the position and pay for the publication monthly out of his own pocket, there being only thirty-eight dollars in cash when left by the former editor. Feeling the strongest interest in its success, and knowing my own willingness to pay every dollar at my command to sustain it, I was determined it was to live if it took the coat off my back. I found it necessary to give my note for \$317.00 to balance accounts to date for the July number, and \$236.38 to balance accounts to date, a total of \$553.38. The backwardness of many divisions in remitting placed us in an unpleasant position, not alone on account of funds, but as to whether we should continue their *Magazine* or not. In one or two instances we held the July number until we heard from them. We have also a large number of names on the books of the former editor with no credit of cash paid, and we have received many letters asking, "Why don't you send my magazine?" from persons whose names are not on the books. So, trusting to their honesty, and a desire to make friends for our organization, we sent the magazine.

We would like to call your attention to the article regarding the salary of the editor, and recommend it to be made one thousand dollars a year instead of eighteen hundred dollars, and whose duties shall be prescribed by the Constitution. Following are the numbers of magazines sent to divisions, amount paid and indebtedness. Should any errors appear, please call attention to it at and have it at once rectified:

	No. Copies Ordered.	Amount Due.	Paid to W. H. Morse.	Paid to J. C. W. Long.	Balance Due.
Div. No. 1.....	50	\$75 00		\$75 00	
" 2.....	105	157 50	\$30 00	77 50	
" 3.....	75	112 50		95 00	\$17 50
" 4.....	25	37 50	19 50	18 00	
" 5.....	100	150 00	150 00		
" 6.....	68	102 00		35 00	67 00
" 7.....	60	90 00	84 00	6 00	
" 8.....	15	22 50	15 00		7 50
" 9.....	50	75 00	21 00		54 00
" 10.....					
" 11.....	65	97 50	45 00		52 50
" 12.....	67	100 50	72 00	19 50	9 05
" 13.....	76	114 00	18 00	7 50	88 50
" 14.....	50	75 00	75 00		
" 15.....	75	112 50	50 00	62 50	
" 16.....	50	75 00		25 00	50 00
" 17.....	35	52 50	52 50		
" 18.....	38	42 00			42 00
" 19.....	85	127 50	90 00		37 50
" 20.....	90	135 00	70 12	60 88	4 55
" 21.....					
" 22.....	100	150 00		150 00	
" 23.....	42	63 00	49 50	9 00	4 50
" 24.....	25	37 50	31 50		6 00
" 25.....	15	22 50	18 00	1 50	3 00
" 26.....					
" 27.....	25	37 50			37 50
" 28.....	75	112 50			112 50
" 29.....	4	6 00			6 00
" 30.....	45	67 50	37 50	30 00	
" 31.....	70	105 00	66 00	39 00	
" 32.....	50	75 00	25 50	18 50	33 00
" 33.....	26	39 00	3 00	12 00	24 00
" 34.....	16	24 00		24 00	
" 35.....	43	64 50	64 50		
" 36.....	45	67 50	27 00	40 50	
" 37.....	7	10 50	4 50	6 00	
" 38.....	25	37 50	33 75		3 75
" 39.....	25	37 50		25 50	12 00
" 40.....	25	37 50	1 50	34 50	1 50
" 41.....	57	85 50	76 50	4 50	4 50
" 42.....	50	75 00	67 50		7 50
" 43.....	25	37 50	37 50		
" 44.....	15	22 50			22 50
" 45.....	55	82 50	65 15		17 35
" 46.....	2	3 00	1 50	1 50	
" 47.....	29	43 50	40 50	3 00	
" 48.....					
" 49.....	35	52 50	52 50		
" 50.....	4	6 00	6 00		
" 51.....	19	28 50	28 50		
" 52.....	23	34 50	33 00		1 50
" 53.....	10	15 00	10 50	4 50	
Total	2,156	\$3,234 00	\$1,623 52	\$575 00	\$1,035 40

As some of the divisions have their magazines sent by mail, and we have deemed it wise to send copies to some railway officials and newspapers, complimentary, our mailing list has reached over three hundred copies. The good results are indeed very gratifying to us, inasmuch as we have received many notices, and have been loaned cuts and electrotypes to illuminate our magazine, which has enabled us to add another form. So, now you get four forms for \$1.50, with as choice reading matter as you find in the *Atlantic Monthly* or *Harper's*, for which they charge \$4.00 for eight forms, which places our magazine much cheaper in proportion; and again, we are double the size of the *Engineers' or Firemen's Journal*, for which they charge \$1.12 per year.

Following are the advertisements, commencing June, 1877, and to continue one year:

	American House, Denver, Col. . . .	\$18 00	Paid, \$18 00
July,	P., Ft. W. & C. Ry.	Unpaid, 25 00	
"	C., B. & Q. R. R.	" 25 00	
"	U. P. R. R.	" 25 00	
"	Frank F. Currier.	" 10 00	
"	Grand Island Eating House. . .	" 15 00	
"	National Hotel, Washington. . .	" 10 00	
August,	Walker House, Salt Lake. . . .	" 25 00	
"	Keeney House, Ogden.	" 18 00	
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		\$171 00	\$18 00
	Amount due for advertisements.		\$158 00

The other "ads" we propose to insert as an inducement for others to send in theirs. In due time the proper persons are to be notified of such an action on our part, and at a very reasonable though a paying rate.

Following are the expenses for the six months ending September 30, 1877:

April	To 1,000 Letter-heads and envelopes.	\$ 7 50
Acc't.	" 1,000 Circulars.	2 50
	" 3,000 Magazines.	212 50
May	" 2 Blank books.	9 00
Acc't.	" 300 Envelopes.	1 50
	" 3,000 Magazines for June.	212 50
	" Wrappers.	3 00
	" Stamps.	2 00
	" Pencils.	1 00
	" Scissors.	60
	" Magazines for clipping.	1 25
June	" 3,000 Magazines for July.	212 50
Acc't.	" Mailing.	2 00
	" Services of I. N. Pardee.	60 00
	" Express charges on cuts.	1 50
July	" 3,000 Magazines for August.	212 50
Acc't.	" Services of Rev. I. N. Pardee.	60 00

	To Circulars.....	\$ 2 00
	" Mailing.....	2 00
August	" 3,000 Magazines for September.....	212 50
Acc't.	" 12 Pages extra.....	23 00
	" 3,000 Supplements.....	12 00
	" P. O. box.....	1 50
	" Mailing.....	2 00
	" Messenger.....	50
	" Services of Rev. I. N. Pardee.....	60 00
September	" Magazines for October.....	220 00
Acc't.	" Supplements.....	12 00
	" Mailing.....	3 00
	" Stamps.....	2 00
	" Services of Rev. I. N. Pardee.....	60 00
Oct. Acc't.	" " " " " ".....	60 00
Total Expense.....		\$1,736 85

1877.

May	26,	Paid	Henry Gibson, Publisher	.....	\$222 50
June	18,	"	" " " " " ".....		201 50
August	7,	"	" " " " " ".....		100 00
September	5,	"	" " " " " ".....		30 00
"	12,	"	" " " " " ".....		75 00
"	24,	"	" " " " " ".....		255 00
July	25,	"	" " " " " " by note 90 days.		217 62
September	24,	"	" " " " " " 30 "		236 38
"	24,	"	" " " " " ".....		360 00
					\$1,698 00

We desire to say, in conclusion, that during the past year, as your Committee, we have done what seemed to us to be for the best interests of the organization, without fear or favor, and at no time have our motives been mercenary. That we have at times erred is possible, but we have the satisfaction of knowing that if we have made mistakes it has been of the head, not of the heart. We have been at a personal expense of seventy-six dollars relieving the editor. We have given many hours of valuable time to the business of this organization, freely and without hope or expectation of any reward, save such as shall come from the knowledge that we have been laboring for the good of this noble Order.

What to others may have seemed as unwarrantable assumption of power, was, in our opinion, the best thing that could be done under the circumstances, and we are willing to have our record criticised and abide the consequences.

J. WARD BOYLES,

A. A. SHARP,

G. B. EVARTS,

Executive Committee.

Motion by Bro. Stanchfield, that the report of the Executive Committee, as read by the Chairman, be received and referred to the appropriate committees.

Amended by Bro. Wheaton, to be referred to a special committee of three for distribution to the appropriate committees.

Amendment accepted and a special committee of three, consisting of Bros. Hardenburg, Hemphill and Ashton, were appointed.

Here the Grand Chief Conductor read a message from R. H. Ferguson, of Troy, N. Y., requesting our G. C. C. to have our Order throughout the State represented in State Convention of Workingmen, on Monday, Oct. 8, 1877.

A motion made and seconded that Bro. Collins be authorized to answer that we cannot comply, was carried unanimously.

Adjourned for dinner at 12 M., noon.

HALL OF ELMIRA DIVISION, No. 9, }
ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 3, 1877, 1:35 P. M. }

Grand Division opened at 1:35 p. m., W. L. Collins, G. C. C., in the chair.

The hour set for the annual report of J. C. W. Long, G. S. and T., having arrived, the following report of receipts and expenditures was read and referred to the Finance Committee:

OFFICE OF GRAND SECRETARY AND TREASURER, }
FORT WAYNE, Ind., October 3, 1877. }

To the Grand Officers and Delegates of the Tenth Annual Convention of the Conductors' Brotherhood, Greeting:

MY WORTHY BROTHERS—I have the pleasure of presenting to your honorable body this, my second, annual report, as your Grand Secretary and Treasurer. Owing to the fact that some of our divisions have been late in making out and forwarding their annual report, in accordance with our constitution, I find that I cannot make as complete a report as I had earnestly desired to do. Hoping to be able to complete my report previous to our adjournment, I will pass to other matters.

We have many things for which we ought to be thankful to an allwise Creator, who holds the destiny of all men in His hands. While secret organizations composed of our fellow laborers have been shaken from center to circumference; when Brotherhoods have been tested and found wanting, our good and noble Order stood firm as adamant. When riots and lawlessness ran rampant o'er our land like fire in the stubble; when it was almost worth your life to say you were loyal to your employers, our little band of a thousand and braves faced the storm, and although a very limited number fell traitor to their cause, we came out conquerors on the side of justice and right, and to-day we stand alone before the world as an organization opposed to the combination of men for coercive measures.

Our Order has been brought more prominently before our railroad officials during the past Summer than ever before, and in each and every instance we have been met with open hands and outstretched arms as loyal employees.

With the hope that we may ever retain the good will of our employers, I now give you an itemized account of the business transactions of my office for the past year:

No. of Divisions reported for 1877.....	41		
" " failing to report for 1877.....	10		
" Members reported for 1877.....	1,058		
" New Divisions organized 1877.....	7		
" Divisions reorganized 1877.....	1		
" Deaths.....	6		
" Expulsions reported.....	70		
" Members in the insurance.....	51		
1876.		<i>Cr.</i>	<i>Dr.</i>
Nov. 11, To am't voted W. L. Collins, as G. C. C.....			\$200 00
" 11, " " J. C. W. Long, G. S. & T.....			200 00
" 11, By balance Cash on hand at settlement.....	\$111 59		
" 11, " Am't paid No. 22 for board of G. Z. Cruzen...	19 50		
Dec. 4, " Cash from Division No. 17.....	15 50		
" 4, " " " 44.....	6 00		
" 4, " " " 30.....	23 50		
" 4, " " " 46.....	50		
" 4, To 2 packages envelopes.....			30
" 4, " Am't voted No. 22 for board of G. Z. Cruzen,			19 50
" 4, " 100 stamps and envelopes.....			3 53
" 4, " 500 stamped envelopes.....			16 50
" 4, " Difference in exchange for gold from 51....			35
" 15, By Cash from Division No. 11.....	14 50		
" 27, " " " 38.....	11 00		
" 28, " " " 42.....	5 00		
" 31, " " " 1.....	10 00		
1877.			
Jan'y 1, To 200 circulars.....			1 50
" 1, " 600 Constitutions.....			200 00
" 1, " 1,000 applications for membership.....			10 00
" 1, " 5,000 notices of dues.....			12 50
" 2, By Cash from Division No. 39.....	7 00		
" 5, " " " 40.....	11 00		
" 15, " " " 7.....	10 50		
" 15, " " " 12.....	22 55		
" 15, " " " 46.....	50		
" 17, " " " 25.....	6 50		
" 20, " " " 41.....	3 85		

1877.		Dr.	Cr.
Jan'y	20, By Cash from Division No. 45.....	\$ 8 50	
"	26, " " " 6.....	25 00	
"	26, " " " 36.....	6 50	
"	26, To telegram to J. W. Boyles, Laramie.....		\$ 2 00
"	26, " " W. L. Collins.....		50
"	29, By Cash from Division No. 32.....	19 50	
"	30, " " " 14.....	10 00	
"	30, " " " 37.....	8 00	
"	31, " " " 9.....	15 50	
Feb'y	3, " " " 50.....	1 00	
"	4, " " " 1.....	12 40	
"	5, " " " 52.....	10 00	
"	5, To 250 tokens per order G. D., 1876.....		110 00
"	5, " Express charges on same.....		8 85
"	5, " Drayage on supplies.....		50
"	7, " 1 bottle mucilage.....		25
"	7, " Subsc'n to Magazine for R. R. official guide..		1 50
"	7, By Cash from No. 15.....	26 00	
"	7, " " " 43.....	5 00	
"	7, " " " 30.....	5 00	
"	7, " " " 15.....	12 24	
"	12, To 50 postal cards.....		50
"	14, By Cash from Division No. 38.....	3 00	
"	14, " " " 49.....	13 30	
"	16, " " " 17.....	36	
"	16, " " " 20.....	14 00	
"	18, " " " 26.....	4 00	
"	19, " " " 41.....	5 75	
"	23, " " " 4.....	15 00	
"	23, " " " 45.....	8 35	
"	23, " " " 35.....	31 00	
March	1, " " " 31.....	13 80	
"	1, " " " 37.....	2 50	
"	3, " " " 3.....	18 00	
"	10, " " " 9.....	3 50	
"	10, " " " 25.....	1 38	
"	13, " " " 39.....	3 00	
"	13, " " " 46.....	6 50	
"	15, " " " 14.....	4 50	
"	15, " " " 20.....	4 60	
"	16, " " " 12.....	5 40	
"	18, " " " 2.....	32 30	
"	18, " " " 4.....	16 51	
"	18, " " " 43.....	1 00	
"	19, " " " 30.....	75	
"	20, " " " 10.....	15 00	

1877.		Dr.	Cr.
March	23, By Cash from Division No. 32.....	\$ 3 00	
"	30, " " " 10.....	22 43	
"	30, " " " 53.....	31 35	
"	30, " " " 47.....	4 75	
"	30, " " " 34.....	8 50	
"	30, To letter press and book.....		\$8 00
"	30, " Bank interest on note to Page, Taylor & Co..		67
April	4, " Postage on supplies.....		10
"	4, By Cash from Division No. 4.....	30	
"	4, " " " 17.....	75	
"	7, " " " 16.....	6 50	
"	9, " " F. M. Sweeney, for card.....	1 00	
"	14, " " Division No. 6.....	7 55	
"	14, " " " 36.....	1 55	
"	18, " " " 18.....	2 00	
"	14, To 50 postal cards.....		50
"	24, " Drayage, twine and wrapping paper.....		1 15
"	24, " 50 circulars.....		1 50
"	24, " 300 rituals.....		85 00
"	24, " 1,300 proceedings 1876.....		115 00
"	24, " 24 Treasurer's books.....		10 00
"	24, " 60 circulars.....		1 00
"	30, " Message to J. W. Boyles.....		60
May	2, By Cash from Division No. 5.....	15 00	
"	9, " " " 46.....	4 00	
"	16, " " " 13.....	4 00	
"	16, " " " 20.....	1 75	
"	16, " " " 8.....	3 50	
"	21, To chgs. paid on message from J. W. Boyles....		25
"	23, " " " W. L. Collins....		15
"	25, By Cash from Division No. 34.....	2 80	
"	25, " " " 40.....	2 50	
June	5, To chgs. on package from Division 16.....		25
"	23, By Cash from Division No. 30.....	3 40	
July	5, " " " 47.....	10 50	
"	5, To 100 stamped envelopes.....		3 30
"	5, " Chgs. on package from 47.....		25
"	8, " Ex. chgs. on Magazines to 45.....		1 19
"	9, By Cash from Division No. 9.....	5 80	
"	13, To box, drayage, etc., on tokens to J. W. Boyles,		35
August	4, By Cash from Division No. 44.....	4 80	
"	10, To 100 stamps.....		3 00
"	10, " 50 " (6c).....		3 00
"	19, " 100 "		3 00
Sept.	5, By Cash from Division No. 46.....	1 50	
"	5, " " " 10.....	20 00	

1877.		<i>Dr.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>
Sept.	5, By Cash from Division No. 17.	\$27 00	
"	8, To framing tokens.		\$26 41
"	8, " 100 circulars, expulsions.		2 00
"	8, " 2,000 letter heads.		8 00
"	8, " 100 circulars to R. R. officials.		1 50
"	8, " 100 circulars to divisions.		2 00
"	8, " 1,000 credentials.		12 50
"	8, " 500 annual reports.		6 00
"	8, " 400 large envelopes, printed.		2 75
"	8, By Cash from Division No. 37.	21 00	
"	8, " " 42.	18 00	
"	12, " " 14.	28 75	
"	12, " " 41.	32 00	
"	14, " " 4.	19 00	
"	14, " " 25.	13 00	
"	14, " " 38.	19 00	
"	14, " " 44.	17 00	
"	14, " " Joseph Packard.	16 35	
"	14, To postage on circular and mess. to Bro. Bourne,		65
"	17, By Cash from Division No. 5.	17 05	
"	17, " " 24.	16 00	
"	17, " " 45.	27 75	
"	18, " " 49.	22 00	
"	18, " " 9.	31 00	
"	18, " " 46.	20 30	
"	18, " " 8.	10 00	
"	18, " " 52.	40 00	
"	18, " " 43.	14 00	
"	19, To postage stamps.		1 10
"	21, By Cash from Division No. 51.	13 00	
"	21, " " 27.	25 00	
"	21, " " 1.	35 00	
"	21, " " 33.	41 60	
"	21, " " 53.	17 00	
"	21, " " 26.	6 00	
"	21, " " 47.	19 50	
"	21, " " 11.	35 50	
"	25, " " 12.	48 00	
"	25, " " 19.	62 07	
"	25, " " Joseph Packard.	1 00	
"	25, To postage stamps.		27
"	25, " Bill paper.		20
"	25, " Message from F. Rosencrantz.		15
"	25, " Overcharge on Division No. 44.		9 75
"	27, " P. O. stamps.		25
"	27, " Cash paid on Magazine to date.		1,318 10

1877.		Dr.	Cr.
Sept.	27, To Repairing G. D. satchel.....		\$0 25
"	27, " 200 circulars.....		4 00
"	27, By Cash received for Magazine to date.....	\$1,050 28	
"	27, " " insurance certificates.....	6 25	
"	27, " " from Division No. 23	20 00	
Oct.	1, " " " 2.....	48 75	
"	1, " " " 5.....	13 00	
"	1, " " " 15.....	47 00	
"	1, " " " 34.....	14 00	
"	1, " " " 32.....	37 00	
"	2, " " " 31.....	21 00	
"	2, " " " 18.....	13 00	
"	3, " " " 3.....	29 00	
"	3, " " " 6.....	49 00	
"	3, " " " 22.....	5 65	
4,	4, " " for 5 certificates insurance.....	1 25	
"	4, " " Magazine.....	40 25	
Total receipts to date.		\$2,944 86	
Total expenditures to date.....			\$2,422 52
Balance in Cash on hand.....		\$522 34	

The following is the statement of magazine account connected with this office:

1877.			
April	30, Received from W. H. Morse in cash.....		\$38 00
"	30, " " order.....		40 00
May	7, " J. H. Kimball, Division 10.....		1 50
"	9, " J. J. Beck, " 6.....		35 00
"	9, " C. F. VanVlete, " 12.....		19 50
"	9, " M. B. Hamble, " 4.....		6 00
"	9, " A. Smith, " 53.....		3 00
"	9, " J. C. Whissen, " 17.....		1 50
"	12, " D. G. Wylie, " 22.....	150 00	
"	12, " T. P. Bayless, " 1.....	40 50	
"	12, " John Kopp, " 33.....	12 00	
"	16, " J. C. W. Long, " 23.....	9 00	
"	16, " V. P. Duff, " 13.....	7 50	
"	18, " W. H. Morse, for " 4.....	4 50	
"	18, " W. H. Morse, " 51.....	12 00	
"	20, " G. T. W. Cooley, " 41.....	4 50	
"	20, " F. E. Kimball, " 40.....	34 00	
"	23, " W. A. Mills, " —.....	1 50	
"	25, " " 34.....	24 00	
"	28, " A. G. Post, " 32.....	16 50	
"	30, " Al. Smith, " 53.....	1 50	
"	30, " C. E. Cross, " 25.....	1 50	

1877.				
June	5,	Received from Jas. S. Dunne, Division 16.		\$25 00
"	16,	" E. Robinson,	36	40 50
"	18,	" N. Champney,	20	30 00
"	20,	" M. B. Hamble,	4	7 50
"	23,	" Creston	30	30 00
"	28,	" Star	31	36 75
"	26,	" Delaware	37	6 00
July	19,	" Wellsville	20	30 33
"	20,	" Waterloo	47	3 00
"	23,	" Wayne	23	1 50
"	23,	" Wahsatch	45	27 00
"	24,	" Chicago	1	34 50
Aug.	3,	" G. W. Cooley,		4 50
"	10,	" Lackawana	12	6 00
"	15,	" W. L. Collins,	3	95 00
"	21,	" J. B. Holmes,	19	15 00
"	21,	" C. A. Wood,	9	25 50
"	23,	" E. G. Whitman,	2	50 00
"	23,	" I. F. Davidson,	37	3 00
"	25,	" W. L. Bass,	39	25 50
"	25,	" J. W. Dent,	27	28 50
Sept.	5,	" I. F. Davidson,	37	1 50
"	12,	" G. W. Cooley,	41	1 50
"	15,	" C. T. Richmond,	45	6 00
"	17,	" C. Banks,	25	1 50
"	18,	" C. W. Evarts,	32	31 50
"	21,	" G. C. Newton,	47	75
"	21,	" A. Shoemaker,	45	17 75
Oct.	1,	" J. W. Dent,	27	9 00
"	1,	" Buffalo	2	27 50

EXPENDITURES.

May	24,	Paid to J. W. Boyles.		\$301 85
"	25,	Cash Book for Magazine.		50
"	25,	Half dozen receipt books.		5 00
June	5,	Paid express charges on package from No. 16.		25
"	18,	" J. W. Boyles.		201 50
"	17,	" "		45 00
July	23,	" "		64 00
"	30,	" "		150 00
Aug.	25,	" "		100 00
Sept.	8,	" "		100 00
"	21,	" "		350 00

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All of which I most respectfully submit to your honorable body.

J. C. W. LONG,

G. S. and T.

Upon motion made and seconded the report was referred to the Finance Committee.

Resolution No. 2, by Bro. I. F. Davidson, of No. 37:

Resolved, That the rules be suspended and this Grand Division hereby legalize the action of the G. C. C. in appointing a Committee on Credentials other than those presented by the Constitution. Resolution carried.

Resolution No. 3, by the same:

Resolved, That Bro. G. Coale, of No. 11, be appointed to assist Bro. J. C. W. Long in his duties during this session. Resolution carried.

Resolution No. 4, by Bro. Owen, of No. 10:

Resolved, That Article 2, Section 1, page 19, of the Constitution, shall read: "No person shall become a candidate for admission as a member of the Conductors' Brotherhood until he has been acting in the capacity of a conductor one year, nor (excepting in organizing a division) until he has been proposed by three conductors of the division where he wishes to become a member. They shall certify that he is a man of good moral character, and to the best of their belief he will be a worthy member if admitted."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 5, by Bro. Coale, of No. 11:

Resolved, That all moneys payable to the G. S. & T. must be in his hands on or before the 20th day of September, and that he close his yearly accounts on that day, except in case of G. D. dues, in which case the G. D. will take action with the delinquent division.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 6, by Bro. Corlett, of No. 14:

Resolved, That credentials when presented at Grand Divisions and not having the division seal attached, will not entitle the holder to a seat in the Grand Division; this resolution to take effect at our next annual session of the Grand Division.

Referred to the Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 7, by Bro. Whissen, of No. 17:

Resolved, That when a brother has been expelled for any misdemeanor, other than drunkenness or general bad character, and has lived two years or more within the jurisdiction of another division, such division shall have the power to use their discretion in admitting him as a new member.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 8, by Bro. Champney, of No. 20:

Resolved, That this Grand Division enact a law that a member of a sub-

ordinate division cannot refuse holding office in such subordinate divisions when duly elected without he has served in the same office the year previous.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 9, by Bro. Scott, of No. 23:

Resolved, That the Past Chief Conductor in each subordinate division be empowered to install officers in their respective divisions.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 10, by the same:

Resolved, That any sub-division failing to make out their annual report one day previous to the annual convention, shall have their charter suspended.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 11, by Bro. Dent, of No. 27:

Resolved, That Section 1, Article 4, on page 25, of the Constitution, be stricken out.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 12, by Bro. Washburn, of No. 34:

Resolved, That any member of the Conductors' Brotherhood who shall hereafter engage in a strike or encourage the same by word or action, and if it be proven to be true by any member of the Brotherhood or by his employers, he shall be expelled from the Brotherhood immediately, and shall never be allowed to join it again; and that notice of his being engaged in a strike shall be forwarded to all railway officials as far as possible.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 13, by Bro. Davidson, of 37:

Resolved, That the office of Grand Lecturer be abolished, and his duties be vested in the G. C. C., and the duties be delegated to his district deputies in their several districts.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 14, by the same:

Resolved, That the words, "Grand Officers," in Section 5, Article 1, Constitution of Grand Division, be stricken out, and the word "Delegate" be inserted.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 15, by the same:

Resolved, That all that portion of Section 2, Article 6 (Constitution of Subordinate Divisions), following the words "pass word," be stricken out.

Referred to Committee on Constitution, and ordered not to be printed.

Preamble and Resolution No. 16, by Bro. Carver, 38:

WHEREAS, The non-arrival of a part of the Executive Committee has caused a vexatious delay in the proceedings of this Grand Body, and in order to prevent a repetition of the same in the future; therefore, be it

Resolved, The books of the Executive Committee be closed and their report made out and signed by them and sent to the Grand Secretary so as to reach him at least one week before the meeting of the Grand Division; still it shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to be present at the meeting of the Grand Division, if possible.

Referred to the Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 17, by the same:

Resolved, That any brother engaged in any business other than that of a conductor, he shall, upon application to his division, be granted an honorary card, which shall excuse him from all dues except grand dues and assessments. He shall not have any voice in the proceedings of his division, except in the election of officers and delegate to the Grand Division, but when he shall again become engaged as a conductor he shall become an active member, subject to all rules and by-laws governing the same. This shall not debar him from joining the insurance nor entitle him to a traveling card.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 18, by Bro. Kimball, of No. 40:

Resolved, That the books of the G. S. & T. be closed on September 15, and that all reports and moneys due at that time be carried over to the next annual report, and that sub-divisions not having in their reports by that time, together with all moneys due the Grand Division, shall not be entitled to representation or to receive the annual pass word, unless granted by action of the Grand Division.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 19, by Bro. Kelly, of No. 42:

Resolved, That each sub-division require their treasurer to give bonds in the sum of five hundred dollars.

Referred to the Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 20, by the same:

Resolved, That we change Article 2, Section 6, pages 20 and 21, of the Constitution, so as to read, "Unless in case of necessity when a dispensation may be granted by the G. C. C. or his deputy."

Referred to the Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 21, by Bro. Stanchfield, of No. 30:

Resolved, That the editor of the magazine be and is hereby instructed not to send any magazines to subscribers unless the money accompanies the subscription list.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 22, by Bro. Collins, of No. 3:

Resolved, That the words, "Constitution to govern subordinate divisions," be stricken out, and the articles following be numbered in rotation from the preceding article, 5.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 23, by Bro. Boyles, of No. 43:

Resolved, That this Order hereafter be known as the "Conductors' Association of the United States and Canada," instead of the "Conductors' Brotherhood of the United States," and all printed matter hereafter bear the same name.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 24, by Bro. Collins, of No. 3:

Resolved, That the title of this Order be changed to "Independent Order of Railway Conductors."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 25, by Bro. Hemphill, of No. 41:

Resolved, That Article 1, Section 15, on page 19 of the Constitution of Subordinate Divisions, be stricken out.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 26, by Bro. Sandy, of No. 1:

Resolved, That the drawing of car used by Chicago Division, No. 1, herewith presented, be adopted as the standard for use in all sub-divisions.

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 27, by Bro. Kimball, of No. 40:

Resolved, That that part of the ritual on page 37 commencing with "I" and ending with "employees," be stricken out.

Resolution *thrown* out by order G. D.

Resolution No. 29, by Bro. Ashton, of No. 31:

Resolved, That the case of Empire Division, No. 30, be referred to a special committee of three.

Resolution adopted, and Bros. Ashton, Perrin and Dent were appointed said committee.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 3, 1877.

To the Grand Division, Conductors' Brotherhood:

We, your Committee appointed, have examined the address of the Grand Chief Conductor, and feel that this Grand Body and our whole Order should be proud of such a leader, and of the sentiments he expresses in his address. We find reason to be thankful for the evidence it gives us of the continued prosperity and harmony existing among the different divisions of our Order. Having passed through a very trying ordeal since our last Grand Division met, and, with the exceptions of a few of our number, coming out with honor to ourselves and to the Order, we cheerfully concur with our G. C. C. in thanking God and congratulating ourselves that, as an Order, we have nobly stood the test and have gained the confidence and approbation of railway officials and the community at large.

His suggestions, opinions and financial accounts have been referred to their respective committees.

The decisions rendered by the G. C. C., since the last session of the G. D., we find in accordance with the true intent and meaning of the Constitution and laws of the Order, with one exception (although some others are not in strict conformity with the letter of our imperfect Constitution). The decision to which we allude was in granting, on Sept. 18, 1877, to Division No. 13, the power to suspend regular meetings for the space of six months from Oct. 1, 1877, subject to the decision of the Grand Division. Your committee concur with the G. C. C. in requesting this Grand Body to take immediate action in this case, as he is of the opinion that he has been somewhat imposed upon by the parties interested, and that their intention was to prevent a demand for the surrender of their charter for violation of their obligation by "engaging in a railway strike." Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KIMBALL,
GEORGE DEWEY,
JOHN KOPP,

Committee.

Motion by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9, that the report be received. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 30, by Bro. Whissen, of No. 17:

Resolved, That the dispensation granted by the G. C. C. to Iron City Division, No. 13, in reference to the suspension of regular meetings, be considered void. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 31, by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9:

WHEREAS, The Order of the Conductors' Brotherhood is judged by the conduct of its individual members; and, Whereas, we believe that our aims and objects are misconstrued by outside parties, through negligence of

individual members to support and advocate the two essential principles of the "Conductors' Brotherhood," namely: *Temperance*, and the total opposition to unlawful and violent uprisings of employees, generally termed strikes; therefore, be it resolved, that we, the members of this Grand Body, do order the following resolution:

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of all members of the Order to stand for and advocate the essential principles of our Order, and it shall be deemed a violation of our obligation for any brother to refuse or neglect to perform the above mentioned duties.

Resolved, That in case any brother shall engage in a strike of railway employees, he shall be expelled, and the secretary of his division shall notify all superintendents within his reach of the facts of his expulsion and the cause thereof. Resolution adopted unanimously.

Resolution No. 32, By Bro. Stanchfield, of No. 30:

Resolved, That a special committee of three be appointed to extend an invitation to railway and city officials, and members of the city press and others whom they may think proper, to visit this Grand Division to-morrow, Oct. 4, at 5 o'clock p. m.

Amended by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9, that Bro. J. W. Boyles be appointed to address the visitors in regard to the essential principles of the Order. Amendment accepted and resolution adopted.

The G. C. C. appointed Bros. Wheaton, Owens and Sillsbee as a committee on the above resolution.

Resolution No. 33, by the same:

Resolved, That all resolutions to be referred to committees be presented before 6 o'clock p. m. on Thursday, Oct. 4, 1877. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 34, by the same:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to procure regalias for all Grand Officers who have not been provided with the same. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 35, by Bro. Kopp, of No. 33:

Resolved, That a special committee of three be appointed to draft a new Constitution and By-laws and change the ritual to conform with the same; also to draft a form for opening and closing the Grand Division and present the same to the next session of the Grand Division for its adoption.

Resolution adopted, and Bros. C. S. Wheaton, M. A. Shattuck and G. W. Hardenburg were appointed said committee.

Resolution No. 36, by Bro. Dewey, of No. 5:

Resolved, That we hold a special meeting this evening from 7 o'clock to 10 o'clock p. m. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 37, by Bro. Champney, of No. 20:

Resolved, That this Grand Division grant Collins Division, No. 5, a dispensation to admit members for the sum of five dollars each, instead of seven dollars, until said division shall have twenty-five members; after which time they shall be governed by the Constitution. Resolution lost.

Resolution No. 38, by Bro. Davidson, of No. 37:

Resolved, That the Grand dues be fifty cents per member the ensuing year. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 39, by Bro. Kopp, of No. 33:

Resolved, That each member of this Grand Division constitute himself a committee of one to work up the cause of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine* in each sub-division where he may be a member. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 40, by Bro. Dewey, of No. 5:

Resolved, That there be a general magazine agent appointed in each sub-division to serve one year, and receive such compensation as the Grand Division may determine. Resolution tabled.

Adjourned at 6 o'clock p. m.

HALL OF ELMIRA DIVISION, No. 9. }
ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1877. }

Grand Division called to order at 10 o'clock a. m., A. G. C. C. John Sillsbee in the chair.

Motion by Bro. Wheaton and seconded by Bro. Stanchfield that we proceed to call of divisions. Motion carried.

Motion by the same:

That all resolutions be referred by the G. C. C. to the proper committees without form. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 41, by Bro. Brophy, of No. 46:

Resolved, That the last part of Section 2, Article 6, be stricken out, commencing with the words, "Until their returns have been properly made out and transmitted to the G. S. & T."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 42, by Bro. Boyles, of No. 43:

Resolved, That the word "twice" be stricken out of Section 10, Article 3, and the word "once" inserted; also the words "third time" be changed to read "second time."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 43, by Bro. Carver, of No.

Resolved, That Section 9, Article 2, shall read as follows: There shall be a magazine published monthly under the auspices of the Grand Division of the C. B., to be conducted by an editor who shall be elected annually by the Grand Division. He shall perform such duties as shall be prescribed from time to time by the Grand Division. In addition to his duties as editor he shall keep a correct number of all subscribers to the magazine, and an accurate account with each division, and all moneys he shall receive in the interest of the magazine shall be sent direct to the Grand Treasurer, and that he shall receive for his services the sum of one thousand dollars per annum, he defraying his own expenses. All books and stationery necessary to conduct the business of his office shall be provided at the expense of the Grand Division. For the faithful performances of his duties he shall give good and approved bonds in the sum of three thousand dollars, and by virtue of his position shall be a member of the Grand Division, and entitled to all the rights and privileges of any member thereof.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 44, by the same:

Resolved, That each sub-division shall appoint one member as magazine agent, whose duty it shall be to attend exclusively to receiving subscriptions for the magazine, and attend to distributing the same; also to report to the Secretary, before he makes his annual report, the number of copies taken and the amount of money received therefor.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 45, by the same:

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary have a blank space on his annual report for subordinate divisions for the Secretary to make a report of the number of magazines and the amount of money received therefor.

Referred to the Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 46, by Bro. Davidson, of No. 37:

Resolved, That there be an office of Grand Junior Conductor of Ceremonies created, to take effect at the next annual session of the Grand Division; said officer to be elected and installed with the other Grand Officers this session.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 47, by Bro. Kopp, of No. 33:

Resolved, That any one having been a member of the Conductors' Brotherhood Mutual Insurance Association for fifteen years, may have the privilege of withdrawing from the Association and his policy to be canceled, and not to be permitted to renew again, the party holding said policy to receive all moneys he may have paid to this Association. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 48, by Bro. Ramsey, of No. 32:

Resolved, That no person shall become a member of the C. B. unless he is a man of good moral character, and has had one year's experience as a conductor, each division to be the judge of what constitutes one year's experience; provided, always, that the applicant is in active railway service at the time of making the application.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 49, by Bro. Brophy, of No. 46:

Resolved, That the word "one" be stricken out in Section 10, Article 6, and the word "two" be inserted in lieu thereof.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 50, by Bro. Champney, of No. 20:

Resolved, That no member of a subordinate division shall be eligible to hold the office of Chief Conductor without having served as S. C. of C. or A. C. C. one year. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 51, by Bro. Whissen, of No. 17:

Resolved, That Section 10, Article 2, of Constitution of Grand Division, be changed to read, "Such committees to consist of three members each," instead of five.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 52, by the same:

Resolved, That the word "suspended," as used in Section 14, Article 3, be changed to "expelled."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 53, by the same:

Resolved, That Section 2, Article 6, of Constitution governing subordinate divisions, be changed to read, "All sub-divisions failing to comply with the foregoing section, shall not be entitled to representation in the Grand Division."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 55, by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 19:

Resolved, That the session of the Grand Division be held on the first Monday in May of each year, instead of the first Monday in October. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 54, by Bro. Owen, of No. 10:

Resolved, That any member of the Conductors' Brotherhood who shall engage in any strike of railway employes, or shall in any manner encourage

such strike, shall be expelled from the division of which he is a member, and shall forever be ineligible as a member of the Conductors' Brotherhood.

Resolution tabled, as the subject matter is embodied in Resolution No. 31.

Resolution No. 56, by Bro. Shattuck, of No. 2:

Resolved, That the words following be added to Section 1, Article 2, page 19, Constitution: "And has run two hundred days as a Conductor, and is at the time in actual railroad service."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 57, by the same:

Resolved, That the last part of Section 13, page 25, of the Constitution, commencing, "They must collect Grand dues, etc.," be stricken out. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 58, by Bro. Sandy, of No. 1:

Resolved, That the latter clause of Section 1, Article 4, commencing with the word "said," on the 5th line from the bottom of the Section, be and is hereby stricken out. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 59, by Bro. Corlette, of No. 14:

Resolved, That this Order hereafter be known as the "Conductors' Brotherhood of the United States and Canada."

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 60, by Bro. Long, of No. 23, G. S. & T.:

Resolved, That the word "seven," in Article 4, Section 2, page 14, of the Constitution, be stricken out, and the word "five" be substituted.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 61, by the same:

Was referred to the Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 62, by Bro. Coale, of No. 11:

Resolved, That this Grand Division appoint a Standing Committee on Insurance.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 63, by Bro. Dewey, of No. 5:

Resolved, That each delegate be required to instruct his division to have their annual report forwarded to the Grand Secretary by the required time, so that there may be no delay after the Grand Division opens. Resolution tabled.

The special committee, appointed on the Executive Committee's report, report that they are ready to report to the Grand Division, which was read as follows, by Bro. Hardenburg, Chairman.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1877.

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the Grand Division, C. B.:

WORTHY BROTHERS—We, your special committee appointed to examine the report of the Executive Committee, have carefully examined said report, and we respectfully refer the first three pages and a first half of the fourth page; also that portion of page six wherein they call the attention of the Grand Division to the article regulating the salary of the editor, and recommend that it be made one thousand dollars per year instead of eighteen hundred dollars, and whose duties shall be prescribed by the Constitution, to the Committee on Constitution. The remainder of said report we respectfully refer to the Committee on Finance.

We respectfully refer this report to this Grand Division.

G. W. HARDENBURG.

C. R. ASHTON,

J. F. HEMPHILL,

Committee.

The report of the special committee appointed in the case of Empire Division, No. 30, was, upon motion, received and read, as follows:

ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1877.

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of this Grand Division:

We, the Committee on the Case of Empire Division, No. 30, beg leave to make the following report:

We have carefully examined all the letters and papers, and heard the explanations of Bros. Collins and Stanchfield, and would recommend that the petition of members of said division to the Grand Chief Conductor, dated Sept. 23, 1877, be granted. We would also recommend that the G. C. C. appoint his deputy for that district as soon as possible, and instruct him to take charge of the effects of said Empire Division, No. 30, and hold, subject to the order of the Grand Chief Conductor.

We would also recommend that Bro. Stanchfield have his expenses to the Grand Division paid out of such funds as may be turned over by said Empire Division, No. 30.

Respectfully submitted

C. R. ASHTON,

O. PERRIN,

J. W. DENT,

Committee.

The following report was read by Geo. C. Newton, chairman of the committee appointed on the appeal of C. W. Suthard, formerly a member of Division No. 6:

ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1877.

To the Grand C. C., Grand Officers and Members of this Grand Division:

WORTHY BROTHERS— We, the undersigned, your Special Committee on the Appeal of Mr. C. W. Suthard, have examined the evidence in regard to the case submitted to us, and, to the best of our judgment, we do not find any reason or cause why he should not be a member of the Conductors' Brotherhood; but, in our opinion, he must make application and be re-instated by the division he was expelled from, or obtain permission from the same to join another division, unless the Grand Division grant a special dispensation for him to join another division.

We recommend to this Grand Division that it grant a special dispensation to Division No. 17 to admit Mr. C. W. Suthard to membership, if they deem proper.

We respectfully submit the above report to this Grand Division.

GEO. C. NEWTON,
JOHN KOPP,
G. W. HARDENBURGH,
Committee.

Report received, and, upon motion made and seconded, the recommendations of the above Committee were adopted, and Division No. 17 was granted a special dispensation to admit Mr. Suthard as a new member.

Recess until 1:30 p. m.

Grand Division called to order at 1:30 p. m., A. G. C. C. Silsbee in the chair and proceeded to the call of divisions.

Resolution No. 64, by Bro. Hopkins, of No. 45:

Resolved, That the editor or publisher of the magazine be instructed to send the magazines to each subscriber separately, and not to the divisions, as heretofore.

Referred to the Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 65, by Bro. Kimball, of No. 52:

Resolved, That the 6th and 7th line from the bottom on page 36 of the ritual be stricken out and transferred to the obligation in the first degree.

Referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 66, by Bro. Coale, of No. 11:

Resolved, That this Grand Division make it a part of the duty of the G. C. C., or his deputies, when called upon to act as mediator between railway officials and members of subordinate divisions, when they may deem it necessary — the divisions bearing all expenses. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 67, by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9:

Resolved, That the names of all members of the Conductors' Brotherhood who shall be expelled for drunkenness or engaging in a strike, shall be published in the magazine, but for no other cause. Resolution adopted.

Preamble and Resolution No. 68, by Bro. Washburn, of No. 34:

WHEREAS, The number of Conductors belonging to the Conductors' Brotherhood is very small compared to the number of Conductors in the United States; and,

WHEREAS, There are thousands of Conductors under the jurisdiction of the Pennsylvania R. R. Co. and other railroads in the East who dare not join the Conductors' Brotherhood because they think that their officers are opposed to secret organizations of employes on railroads, especially at the present time, for many railroad officials believe that secret organizations of railroad employes were the first cause of the late strike. Now, if said officers were made acquainted with and understood the principles and motives of the Conductors' Brotherhood, we could organize more divisions of our Order. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That a committee of one be appointed to wait upon Thomas A. Scott, President, and Frank Thompson, Gen. Manager, of the Pennsylvania R. R. Co.; also, W. A. Baldwin, General Superintendent of the Philadelphia & Erie Ry., and others in the East, and explain to them the objects and principles of the Conductors' Brotherhood, when they will, undoubtedly, assist us, after knowing that our motto is to "Assist our employers and to elevate the standard of the Conductors of the United States."

Resolution No. 69, by Bro. Davidson, of No. 37:

Resolved, That, as at all past sessions of the Grand Division the business has been retarded more or less by the non-appearance of most of the Grand Officers; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the following question be asked all the nominees: "Will you attend the next annual session of the Grand Division, if elected?" and if answered in the negative, to proceed to another nomination for said office. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 70, by the same:

Resolved, That each delegate be instructed to urge their division to take hold of the insurance and build it up so as to make a creditable showing at the next session of the Grand Division, as we believe it is of vital importance to all that every member of the Order should belong to the same. Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 71, by Bro. Coale, of No. 11:

Resolved, That this Grand Division take some action which will lead to a more direct substantial benefit to the members of the Order generally, as they feel as though they are not, at the present, receiving much, if any. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 72, by Bro. Scott, of No. 23:

Resolved, That the committee to be appointed to wait on Thos. A. Scott and others, be instructed to wait on President Hughart and Superintendent O'Rourke, of the Grand Rapids & Indiana R. R. Resolution tabled.

Motion made that the appointment of the committee called for in resolution No. 68 be made the order for to-morrow morning. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 73, by Bro. Sandy, of No. 1, relative to "Floor Work," was lost.

Recess declared for fifteen minutes.

Resolution No. 74, by Bro. Kimball, of No. 52:

Resolved, That the following clause be inserted in the Constitution of the Grand Division: "This Grand Division shall be governed by Cushing's Manual, as regards rules of debate, order, etc." Resolution adopted.

Resolution No. 75, by Bro. Washburn, of No. 34:

Resolved, That in the order of business on page 15 of the Constitution governing the Grand Division, the words, "special committee," shall be placed in the same with report of standing committees.

Referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 76, by Bro. Hardenburg, of No. 3:

Resolved, That the Secretary of each subordinate division be the agent for *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine*, and there shall be no magazine charged to a subordinate division except it be ordered by the Secretary and under seal of the division, and he render a correct report of the number of magazines subscribed for to his division, also to the Grand Secretary at least two weeks previous to the meeting of the Grand Division. Resolution tabled.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1877.

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Delegates of this Grand Division:

Your Committee on Work beg leave to make the following report:

On Resolution No. 26, introduced by Bro. Sandy, of Division No. 1, we would report that the car shown in drawing is too expensive for general use.

On Resolution No. 28, introduced by Bro. Hemphill, of Division No. 41, relating to a change of the unwritten work, we would recommend its adoption.

On Resolution No. 65, relating to change in ritual, introduced by Bro. J. H. Kimball, of Division No. 52, we would report unfavorable.

Action deferred until to-morrow.

Upon motion the Grand Division resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole for the purpose of receiving visitors.

Introductory remarks were made by Bro. J. Ward Boyles, of No. 43, and responded to by his Honor, the Mayor of Elmira, N. Y., followed by members of the press of Elmira, and railway officials of the several railroads centering in the City of Elmira.

Remarks by members of the Order were indulged in and a general exchange of sentiments were made.

The Grand Chief Conductor declared recess until 9 o'clock a. m., to-morrow.

HALL OF ELMIRA DIVISION No. 9, C. B.,
ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 5, 1877. }

Grand Division called to order at 9:30 a. m. by G. C. C. Collins, and declared ready for business.

The appointment of the committee called for in Resolution No. 68 was deferred until after the election of Grand Officers.

The Committee on Constitution and Laws presented the following report on resolutions referred to them:

To the Officers and Members of the G. D.:

Your Committee on Constitution and Laws respectfully beg leave to submit the following report:

Favorable on Resolutions No. 11, 13, 14, 21, 42, 43, 46, 48, 59.

We also desire to report favorable on all of the recommendations of our G. C. C., nine in number.

Unfavorable on Resolutions No. 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 41, 44, 45, 51, 52, 53, 55, 56, 61, 62, 64.

Respectfully,

M. A. SHATTUCK,

N. CHAMPNEY,

P. W. SCOTT,

E. H. OWEN,

C. CORLETT,

Committee

Motion by Bro. Davidson to receive the report of the committee, was carried.

Motion by Bro. Stanchfield that we resolve into a Committee of the Whole being lost, the G. C. C. ruled that we must do so in order to proceed with the business before the body.

Motion that we reconsider the motion of Bro. Stanchfield was carried, and a motion by Bro. Boyles that we now resolve into a Committee of the

Whole was carried, and the reading of the resolutions was proceeded with, and Resolutions No. 48 and 59 were adopted, after which the Committee arose and reported progress.

The G. C. C. declared recess until 1:30 p. m.

Grand Division called to order at 1:30 p. m., Grand Chief Conductor Collins in the chair.

The Committee of the Whole resumed their sitting, and Resolutions 46, 42, 21, 14, were adopted; 13, rejected; 11, 62, 53, 51, 52, 9, adopted; 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 22, 23, 24, 25, 41, 44, 45, rejected; 43, adopted; 55, 56, 61, 64, rejected.

The Committee arose and the Grand Division resumed its session, after which the Chairman of the Committee made his report that they completed their work, which report was, on motion, received.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report, which was read by the Chairman, Bro. C. S. Wheaton:

HALL OF CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD, }
ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 5, 1877. }

We, your Committee on Finance, respectfully present the following report:

We have examined the report of the G. S. & T., also the accounts of Bro. W. L. Collins, G. C. C., and find them correct, to the best of our knowledge.

Amount voted W. L. Collins for services as G. C. C. 1876...	\$250 40
Amount paid on the above claim.....	237 93
Amount due on the above claim.....	18 48
Total amount received by J. C. W. Long, G. S. & T.	2,944 86
Total amount paid out by J. C. W. Long, G. S. & T.....	2,422 52
Balance on hand, at date.....	522 34

We further find the following divisions indebted to the Grand Division, as follows:

Eureka Division, No. 7.....	\$ 2 50
Iron City " 13.....	16 50
Grafton " 16.....	4 00
Philadelphia " 18.....	7 00
Wellsville " 20.....	27 93
Gate City " 22.....	39 00
St. Albans " 24.....	23 00
Freeport " 25.....	1 00
Caldwell " 26.....	17 00
Hawkeye " 41.....	8 86
St. Joseph " 36.....	2 96
Denver " 44.....	7 90
St. Louis " 50.....	9 00

Total indebtedness to the Grand Division.....\$167 15

The following divisions have credits, as follows:

Empire Division, No. 30.....	\$1 09
Trenton " 42.....	50
Rocky Mountain " 43.....	03
Wahsatch " 45.....	2 96
Moberly " 49.....	07
Total credits to sub-divisions.....	\$4 65
Total amount due G. D.....	162 50

1st. We recommend that the Grand dues for the ensuing year be made one dollar per member, one-half payable January 1st, 1878, the balance at the time of making out their annual report.

2d. We recommend that payment of the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars be paid Bro. W. L. Collins for services rendered this Grand body, and payable as follows: One hundred dollars on Saturday, Oct. 6, 1877, and one hundred and fifty dollars April 1, 1878; also payment of balance due him as expenses for last year of \$18.48, and the balance in the Grand Division treasury to be paid on his salary.

We recommend the payment of two hundred and fifty dollars to Bro. J. C. W. Long for services rendered as Grand Secretary and Treasurer, payable in the same manner as that of the G. C. C.

3d. We recommend the payment of notes due Henry Gibson, calling for four hundred and fifty-six dollars, be made immediately.

We further recommend the payment of seventy-six dollars to Bro. J. Ward Boyles, as personal expenses during the past year.

We have also examined the financial report of the Executive Committee and find it correct, and find that the magazine subscriptions stand as follows:

From sub-divisions.....	\$3,234 00
Amount paid on subscriptions.....	2,198 60
Amount due on subscriptions.....	\$1,035 40
Amount paid W. H. Morse.....	1,635 52
Amount paid J. C. W. Long.....	575 08
Amount paid out by J. C. W. Long on magazine.....	1,318 10
Total amount received by J. C. W. Long on magazine.....	1,081 03
Total amount due Grand Division from magazine.....	237 07

We, your committee, cannot find any account of expenditures of Bro. W. H. Morse, and do deprecate the failure of Bro. Morse to live up to his obligation.

We recommend and enjoin that all delegates shall use their efforts to secure the prompt payment of all moneys due the magazine department at once. We enjoin upon all delegates to see that their divisions forward the

amount due the Grand Division immediately upon their return home to their respective divisions.

4th. We recommend that the salary of the editor of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine* be made one thousand dollars per year, and he to pay his own expenses.

C. S. WHEATON,
L. R. CARVER,
J. K. HOPKINS,
J. S. MAYES,
J. C. WHISSEN,

Committee:

Motion by Bro. Hardenburg that the report be accepted. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Wheaton that the 1st recommendation be adopted. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Scott that the 2d recommendation be adopted. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Wheaton that the 3d recommendation be adopted. Motion carried.

The 4th recommendation was amended by motion of Bro. Perrin to read, \$83.33 per month.

An amendment to the above amendment was offered as follows, by Bro. Boyles, of No. 43:

Amendment to recommendation No. 4, of Finance Committee: That the duties of the editor be combined with that of Grand Lecturer and Organizer, and he shall receive for such services \$83.33 per month; that he shall have power to provide himself with an office at an expense not exceeding six dollars per month, at the expense of the Grand Division, which was accepted and the recommendation adopted as amended.

Resolution No. 43 was referred to a special finance committee of three, consisting of Bros. Boyles, Stanchfield and Whissen, to report to-morrow at 10 a. m.

Motion of Bro. Hardenburg, that a committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the compensation of Bro. Boyles, was carried, and Bros. Hardenburg, Champney and Whissen were appointed said committee.

Motion made that a committee be appointed to draft suitable resolutions of respect to the various parties who have extended favors to our Order.

Motion carried, and Bros. Long, Carver and Owen were appointed said committee.

Resolution No. 77, by Bro. Perrin, of No. 15:

Resolved, That the sum of \$7.70, as paid by Monumental Division, No. 15, for express charges on the C. B. magazine, be credited to their magazine account. Resolution adopted.

Recess until 9 o'clock a. m., Oct. 6, 1877.

HALL OF ELMIRA DIVISION, No. 9, C. B.,
ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 6, 1877. }

Grand Division called to order at 9:30 a. m., by G. C. C. Collins and declared ready for business.

The G. C. C. appointed Bros. Davidson, Kelley and Mayes a Committee on Insurance.

Resolution No. 78, by Bro. Kopp, of No. 33:

Resolved, That if any member of the C. B. Mutual Life Insurance Association who shall become disabled so as not to be able to follow his occupation of conductor, he shall receive the same amount as his family would receive in case of his death. Resolution tabled.

Resolution No. 79, by Bro. Washburn, of No. 34:

Resolved, That the "fourth" word from the top of Article 8, page 34, Constitution, read two dollars instead of one dollar. Resolution tabled.

The Special Committee, appointed on resolution No. 43, made the following report:

We, the Committee appointed on Special Resolutions No. 43, recommend that Article 2, Section 9, in Constitution, read as follows:

There shall be a magazine published monthly under the auspices of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood, to be conducted by an editor who shall have full charge of publishing the same. He shall be elected annually by the Grand Division, and shall perform such duties as shall be prescribed from time to time by the Grand Division. In addition to his duties as editor, he shall perform the duties of Grand Lecturer and Organizer. He shall keep a correct account of all subscribers and other matters pertaining to the magazine. He shall forward to the Grand Treasurer all moneys received in the interest of such magazine and other sources of the Order. He shall have power to provide himself with an office at an expense not to exceed six dollars per month; also all books and stationery necessary to conduct the business of his office, which expense shall be paid by the Grand Division, and for the faithful performance of his duties he shall receive \$83.33 per month as salary. He shall give a good bond in the sum of \$2,000, and by virtue of his office shall be a member of the Grand Division and entitled to all the rights and privileges of any member thereof.

J. WARD BOYLES,

J. C. WHISSEN,

C. A. STANCHFIELD,

Committee.

Motion by Bro. Kimball, of No. 52, that the report be received and adopted. Motion carried.

Motion by Bro. Wheaton, of No. 9, that we proceed with the election of officers. Bros. Owen, Van Cleaf and Hopkins were appointed tellers.

Bros. Collins and Stanchfield were placed in nomination for G. C. C.

Bro. Stanchfield withdrew his name as a candidate.

Bro. J. C. W. Long was instructed to cast the ballot for the remaining candidate, W. L. Collins, who was duly elected.

Bro. C. A. Stanchfield was duly elected A. G. C. C. by rising vote.

Recess declared until 8 p. m.

ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 6, 8 o'clock p. m.

Meeting called to order and proceeded with the election of officers.

Bros. J. C. W. Long and G. Coale were placed in nomination for G. S. & T. Bro. Long elected on first ballot.

Bros. Whissen and Hopkins were nominated for G. S. C. of C.

Bro. Hopkins declined the honor, when the G. S. & T. was, on motion made and seconded, instructed to cast the vote for Bro. J. C. Whissen, who was duly elected.

Bros. Sandy and Newton were nominated for G. J. C. of C. Bro. Sandy was duly elected.

Bros. Davidson, Rodgers and Bockins were nominated for Inside Sentinel. Bro. Rodgers was duly elected.

Bros. Scott, Davidson, Perrin and Van Cleaf were placed in nomination for Outside Sentinel. Bro. Davidson was duly elected.

Bros. J. W. Sillsbee, C. S. Wheaton and S. C. Newton were placed in nomination for P. G. C. C. Bro. Sillsbee was duly elected.

Bro. J. W. Boyles tendered his resignation as Chairman of the Executive Committee, also as a member of the same.

Rules suspended and resignation accepted.

Bros. Boyles and Wheaton were placed in nomination as editor of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine*, and Bro. Boyles was duly elected.

Bros. Wheaton and Kopp were nominated for member of the Executive Committee for three years. Bro. Wheaton was duly elected.

Bros. Ashton, Shattuck and J. H. Kimball were nominated for the unexpired term of membership made vacant by resignation of Bro. Boyles on Executive Committee. Bro. J. H. Kimball was duly elected.

The Special Committee to take into consideration the compensation of Bro. Boyles, now make their report through their chairman, Bro. Hardenburg, which reads as follows:

ELMIRA, N. Y., Oct. 6, 1877.

To the Grand C. C., Officers and Members of this G. D.:

WORTHY BROTHERS — We, your Special Committee appointed to take into consideration the compensation of Bro. J. W. Boyles, Chairman of the Executive Committee, and acting as editor of *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine* for the six months ending Oct. 31, 1877, subject to correction of time as to the ending of the six months, do, after carefully considering the great services rendered and the present depleted condition of the Grand Division treasury, respectfully report and recommend that this Grand Division pay Bro. Boyles the sum of two hundred and fifty (\$250.00) dollars for said services. We respectfully submit the above report.

(Signed.)

G. W. HARDENBURG,
N. CHAMPNEY,
J. C. WHISSEN,

Committee.

Report received and recommendation adopted.

The Grand Chief Conductor appointed the following named brothers as a committee to draft a new Constitution and present the same at our next annual meeting in 1878: C. S. Wheaton, M. A. Shattuc and G. W. Hardenburg.

The G. C. C. appointed Bro. C. S. Wheaton as a committee of one as required by resolution No. 68.

Bro. C. A. Stanchfield was appointed a committee to procure the charter, books, papers and seal of Empire Division, No. 30.

Resolution No. 80, by Bro. Stanchfield, of No. 30:

Resolved, That the G. C. C. be appointed a committee to procure the charter, books and papers belonging to old division No. 5, and that Bro. G. Coale be furnished authority by the G. C. C. to receive the charter, books and papers of Altoona Division, No. 4, and return them to the G. C. C. Resolution adopted.

Motion made and seconded that Bro. Stanchfield pay outstanding obligations of division No. 30 and retain the balance to pay his expenses to this Grand Division. Motion carried.

On motion made and seconded the Grand Division proceeded to ballot for the place of meeting of the next Grand Division. Chicago was chosen by an unanimous vote.

The Committee on resolution of thanks report, and submit the following for the consideration of this Grand Division:

WHEREAS, The many courtesies extended to the members of this Grand Division, and through them to all members of the Order, as an expression of our appreciation of the same, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Body and all members of the Conductors' Brotherhood are due and are hereby tendered to Mr. E. S.

Bowen, Gen. Supt., P. P. Wright, Supt. Transportation, R. B. Cable, Supt. Susquehanna, and R. G. Taylor, Supt. Buffalo Division, Erie R. R.; R. Neilson, Supt. Elmira and Canandaigua Div., F. E. Fitch, Train Master N. C. Ry.; R. A. Packard, Gen. Supt. Lehigh Valley R. R.; Col. Moore, Gen. Supt. Central R. R. of N. J.; and also the officers of the Buffalo and Jamestown R. R. for so generously furnishing us excursion transportation over their several roads, and to all other railroad officials who have extended the courtesies of their lines to members of our Order.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be extended to Commodore Foote, of the Seneca Lake Steam Navigation Company, for the kind offer of a palatial steamer for the use of this Grand Body for an excursion on Seneca Lake.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division are due and are hereby tendered to the members and officers of Elmira Division, No. 9, C. B., for their many kindnesses and their warm expressions of brotherly love, and their untiring efforts to make our visit in this city pleasant and instructive.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be tendered to Bro. G. W. Arnold for the gentlemanly manner with which he filled the important office of janitor during this session of the Grand Division; also to Bro. Garrison Coale for the able assistance rendered this Grand Division in filling the very important office of Assistant Grand Secretary to the entire satisfaction of this Grand Division.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be tendered to the officers of this Grand Division for the able and courteous manner in which they have discharged the duties of their offices during the past session of this Grand Division.

All of which we respectfully submit to your honorable body.

(Signed.)

J. C. W. LONG,

E. H. OWEN,

L. R. CARVER,

Committee.

The report of the committee received and adopted.

Installation of officers being in order, the officers elected were duly installed by Bro. C. A. Stanchfield, P. G. C. C. Bro. Stanchfield was duly installed by Bro. Sillsbee.

Grand Division then closed with the appropriate ceremonies, to meet in Chicago, Oct. 1, 1878.

J. C. W. LONG,

G. S. and T.

The following corrections were made, after which the proceedings of the 10th annual session were ordered to stand approved as read:

1st Correction. Bro. C. A. Stanchfield's name appearing as delegate from No. 30, and No. 30 not being represented, Bro. Stanchfield was a member of the Convention by virtue of being a Grand Officer.

2d Correction. The G. D. received the report of the Special Committee appointed to take into consideration the compensation of Bro. J. W. Boyles.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD
AT THE
ELEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF CHICAGO, ILL.,

OCTOBER 1, 1878.

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JOHN BAIRD MORFORD.

Grand Chief Conductor.

PROCEEDINGS.

CORINTHIAN HALL,
CHICAGO, ILLS., October 1, 1878. }

Grand Division of Conductors' Brotherhood met in regular session at Corinthian Hall, in the City of Chicago, Ills., and was called to order by G. C. C., W. L. Collins, with the following

OFFICERS PRESENT.—W. L. Collins, G.C.C.; C. A. Stanchfield, A.G.C.C.; J. C. W. Long, G. S. and T.; J. C. Whissen, G. Sr. C. of C.; J. R. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C.; I. F. Davidson, G. O. S.

OFFICERS ABSENT.—J. W. Sillsbee, P. G. C. C.; Alex. Rodgers, G. I. S.

The G. C. C. made the following *pro tem* appointments: I. N. Hodges, P. G. C. C. M. Long, G. I. S.

A Committee on Credentials was appointed, consisting of Bros. C. A. Stanchfield, — — and — —.

Committee on Credentials reported the following named delegates entitled to seats in the G. D.:

Chicago Div., No. 1, W. Kilpatrick.
Buffalo Div., No. 2, H. S. Chapman.
Marshall Div., No. 2, A. B. Mead.
Collins Div., No. 6, J. T. Russell.
Berkley Div., No. 6, Jno. W. Rankin.
Elmira Div., No. 9, C. S. Wheaton.
Lackawana Div., No. 12, C. F. Van Vliet.
Cleveland Div., No. 14, M. Long.
Quincy Div., No. 17, A. R. Farra.
Bloomington Div., No. 19, J. Ward Boyles.
Wellsville Div., No. 20, I. N. Hodges.
Wayne Div., No. 23, Jno. McGeehon.
Freeport Div., No. 25, C. Banks.
Susquehanna Div., No. 27, W. H. Berkheimer.
Star Div., No. 31, C. R. Ashton.
Keystone State Div., No. 33, C. W. Everts.
Scioto Div., No. 33, W. S. McClelland.
Omaha Div., No. 35, Samuel Herman.
Delaware Div., No. 37, I. F. Davidson.
Des Moines Div., No. 38, L. R. Carver.

Hawkeye Div. No. 41, C. E. Stafford.
 Trenton Div., No. 42, Levi Greer.
 Denver Div., No. 44, F. C. Farmer.
 Wahsatch Div., No. 45, H. Redmond.
 Waterloo Div., No. 47, F. E. Ketchum.
 Moberly Div., No. 49, E. T. Wilson.
 Neversink Div., No. 52, F. Rosencranz.
 Lone Star Div., No. 53, B. B. Brown.
 New York City Div., No. 54, Jno. B. Morford.
 Kaw Valley Div., No. 55, F. C. Aechternacht.
 Dallas Div., No. 57, Jas. S. Best.
 Valley City Div., No. 58, W. P. Daniels.
 Alamo Div., No. 59, J. C. Weed.

Moved by Bro. ——— that report be received. Motion carried.

Grand Division was now opened in regular form and declared ready for business.

Resolution No. 1, offered by Bro. Wheaton, 9 :

Resolved, That all members of the Order in good standing, in the city, are invited to seats in this Grand Division. That each and all, in order to obtain admission, shall send in their card, and the delegate from their respective divisions shall vouch for their good standing.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, to adopt. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 2, offered by Bro. Wheaton, 9 :

Resolved, That the sessions of this G. D. shall commence at 9 o'clock A. M., Chicago time, close for dinner at 12:30 P. M., open at 2 P. M. and close at 6 P. M.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, to adopt. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 3, offered by Bro. Long, 23 :

Resolved, That all resolutions be reduced to writing and signed by the Brother offering the same, with the number of division attached.

Moved by Bro. Long, 23, to adopt. Motion carried.

The G. C. C. then read his annual address, as follows :

OFFICERS AND BRETHREN—In conformity with established custom, and prompted by sentiments of brotherly love and fraternal regard, I greet you, one and all, and give you a hearty welcome to this, the eleventh annual meeting of the G. D. of our Brotherhood.

At the close of the tenth year of our existence as an organization, I have to congratulate you that, notwithstanding the influences that have been brought to bear upon us with an intent to injure and destroy, the apathy and lack of interest manifested by some of our brethren, the dissolution of

several divisions, the differences of opinion on constitutional questions, among Grand as well as subordinate officers, and the trouble and bitter feeling that has arisen therefrom (of which I may speak hereafter), we have increased in number of divisions and membership.

It is true that the labor troubles of July, 1877, cast their baleful influences over some of our brethren, and in consequence of mistaken ideas on their part, we have lost a number of members, and two or three divisions have become defunct. Nevertheless, we have great cause to congratulate ourselves, and rejoice that in passing through the crucible, the dross has been removed from the gold; the pure metal remains, and thus by chastenings are we benefited.

Let us proceed to matters pertinent to the present occasion.

OBITUARY.

During the past year we have not been called upon to mourn the loss by death of an officer or member of this Grand Body.

It is true, however, that death has not been inactive.

Several of our brethren (notice of which you have received through the columns of our magazine and otherwise,) have been called from this earth, by disease and accident, to try the realities of another existence, and although families, brethren and friends are mourning the loss, we sincerely trust that which is our loss may be their everlasting gain.

We shall miss them on the rail, in the social circle, and in our division rooms. We shall miss their advice and counsel, but we trust that the advice and counsel received from them will have an everlasting and beneficial influence upon us, and that at last we shall be re-united, and join hands in an unbroken circle of union and love before the throne of the Grand Chief Conductor of the universe.

CHARTERS.

During the year I have granted the following charters.

December 11, 1877, to New York City Div., No. 54, which I had the pleasure of organizing.

February 13, 1878, to Kaw Valley Div., No. 55, located at Kansas City, Mo.

February 27, 1878, to Pyramid Div., No. 56, located at Wadsworth, Nev.

April 7, 1878, to Dallas Div., No. 57, located at Dallas Texas.

April 25, 1878, to Valley City Div., No. 58, located at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

May 22, 1878, to Alamo Div., No. 59, located at Texarkana, Texas.

September 10, 1878, to Queen City Div., No. 60, located at Sedalia, Mo.

September 12, 1878, to Creston Div., No. 21, located at Creston, Iowa.

DISPENSATIONS.

During the year I have granted the following dispensations:

Oct. 5, 1877, agreeable to a resolution passed by the Grand Division while in session in Elmira, N. Y., I granted Div. No. 17, a dispensation authorizing them to accept Bro. Suthars, a former member of Div. No. 6, as a member of Div. No. 17.

A great deal of feeling and trouble arose from this action of the G. D., causing me much embarrassment and censure from disinterested as well as interested parties.

I most respectfully request that this Grand Body appoint a special committee (in whose hands I will place all the evidence adduced on the trial of Bro. Suthars, together with all correspondence between myself and other parties on the subject,) to investigate this case, and report thereon.

October 20, 1877. In compliance with a resolution passed by the G. D., at its session in Elmira, N. Y., I granted to Bro. C. A. Stanchfield, G.A.C.C., a dispensation authorizing him to take possession of the charter, books, funds and other property of defunct Div. No. 30, and to govern himself by said resolution of the G. D.

November 15, 1877, to Bro. A. Smith, authorizing him to organize a division at Palestine, Texas.

November 24, 1877, to Div. No. 20, to change their time of meeting, also to confer both degrees upon Mr. Whitacre, at one and the same meeting.

December 15, 1877, to Div. No. 38, to hold their meetings when most convenient and practicable, until otherwise ordered, owing to members being so scattered at the present time as to prevent obtaining a quorum.

December 23, 1877, to Bro. S. McElroy, to unite with Div. No. 11, or any division he might elect upon payment of his indebtedness to Div. 13 for dues, said dues to be forwarded to the G. S. and T., for the benefit of the G. D., or kept in trust by the G. S. and T., for Div. No. 13, until such time as they might be resuscitated, and make amends to Bro. S. McElroy for the injustice done him by his expulsion.

December 23, 1877, to Div. No. 31, legalizing their action in receiving the petition, electing and conferring the degrees upon Mr. Wm. Eaton, at one and the same meeting.

January 6, 1878, to Div. No. 42, to meet whenever practicable, until otherwise ordered.

January 17, 1878, to Bro. E. O. Griffin, D. G. C. C. of Missouri, authorizing him to take possession of the charter, books and other property of defunct Div. No. 48.

March 26, 1878, to Div. No. 32, to change time and place of meeting.

July 11, 1878, to Bro. A. B. Murphy, formerly of Div. No. 18, authorizing any Division to accept him as a member in good standing on the card he held.

July 31, 1878, to Div. No. 25, to reinstate Wm. Delaney, without waiting the usual time after application was made for re-statement.

August 4, 1878, to Div. No. 4, to accept Mr. Morris, Yardmaster, who had been for four years previous a Conductor.

September 4, 1878, to Div. No. 2, permitting said Division to reinstate Bro. Geo. H. Davis (who had been expelled for non-payment of dues and assessments, July 29, 1878,) without waiting the time required by the Constitution, there having been a misunderstanding, caused by a Brother

neglecting to hand in the dues for Bro. Davis before the time of the notice had expired.

September 7, 1878, to Division No. 17, to hold a special meeting to elect a delegate to the G. D.

September 21, 1878, to Div. No. 9, to confer both degrees on Mr. E. E. Potter, at one and the same meeting.

DECISIONS.

November 8, 1877, in reply to Bro. M. Long, C. C., Div. No. 14, I rendered the same decision as heretofore regarding the right of a Brother to object to a person taking the degrees, even after he has been elected. (See decision in Report of last year.)

Dec. 4, 1877, I decided that if the members of defunct Div. No. 30 reorganized under a new name and charter, they would have to make application, pay charter fee, and become charter members, the same as any new division.

January 3, 1878, in reply to Bro. Jos. E. Sweet, C. C. of Div. No. 15, I decided that five members of the Order constituted a quorum.

If there were three members of my own division and two members of another division in good standing present, I should consider them a quorum, and should open the division, although the visiting brethren would not be entitled to vote. I at the same time refused a dispensation to permit Div. 15 to confer the degrees for two or three dollars. I also decided that a member in arrears was not entitled to vote.

February 5, 1878, in reply to a communication from Bro. Frank Rosencranz, of Div. 52, I decided that a Past Chief Conductor had no authority to deputize any person to install officers.

February 5, 1878, I decided, in reply to Bro. F. E. Ketchum, that the Constitution meant just what it read; that an applicant for membership must be in actual railroad service at the time of making the application, also at the time of his election, initiation and promotion.

April 29, 1878, in reply to Bro. H. S. Chapman, of Div. 2, I decided as heretofore, that a Brother is not subject to dues or assessments until he has received the second degree and has signed the By-Laws of the division.

May 27, 1878, in the case of appeal taken by Bro. J. C. Whissen and others against the decision of Div. 17, on the case of Bro. J. B. Radclif, who was tried for drunkenness and theft, I reversed the decision of Div. 17, and ordered that Bro. J. B. Radclif be suspended from all the rights, privileges and benefits of the Order, until the matter could be brought before this Grand Body for investigation and final settlement.

June 19, 1878, in the case of an appeal taken by Bro. E. P. Chapman, of Div. 2, from a decision of that division, I decided that it was the duty of an individual Brother, and of a division, to advise with, reprove, or prefer charges against a Brother for conduct unbecoming a member of the Order, or that would tend to bring disgrace upon the Order; and that in such a case it was the bounden duty of the division to taken action as they might deem

most expedient to correct the wrong or evil in the offending Brother; and that I knew of no better way, as a preliminary step, than the appointing of a committee to consult with and advise the erring Brother.

July 10, 1878, in the appeal taken by Bro. M. Long, C. C. of Div. 14, from a decision of that division on the trial of Bro. J. H. Jackson, for drunkenness, and for having been engaged in the strike of July, 1877, I decided that, by the evidence and statements made, Bro. J. H. Jackson was guilty of the offense charged against him, and I ordered that the decision of Div. 14 be set aside, and that Bro. J. H. Jackson be suspended until the case could be brought before this G. D. for a final settlement.

The evidence, and all correspondence pertaining to this case, as well as the case of Bro. Radclif, of Div. 17, is ready to be placed in the hands of a committee of investigation.

There are matters in connection with the case of Bro. Jackson, and for which I have received some censure, upon which I earnestly hope this Grand Body will render a decided and final decision, and that the said decision will be engrafted in our Constitution.

There are a number of suggestions I should have offered, relative to amendments to our Constitution; but as a committee (in whom I have great confidence) was appointed at the last meeting of the G. D. to draft a new one, I shall abstain from so doing, relying upon their wisdom and judgment, believing they will present for your consideration and approval a document that will meet the requirements and necessities of our Order.

For causes which I trust this Grand Body will thoroughly and impartially investigate, I called a meeting of the Executive Committee on January 8, 1878.

THE GRAND DIVISION OF THE CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD OF THE UNITED STATES AND CANADAS, IN ACCOUNT WITH W. L. COLLINS, G. C. C., FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER 8, 1878:

		<i>Dr.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>
1877.			
Oct. 8.	To amount voted for services, year ending Oct. 6, 1877.....	\$250 00	
" 20.	" four days lost from train, writing up matters in connection with actions of the G. D., and preparing for the duties of the ensuing year.....	10 39	
" 20,	" postage stamps.....	1 50	
" 25,	" postage stamps.....	2 00	
Nov. 6.	" postage stamps.....	1 00	
" 15,	" postage stamps and envelopes.....	2 00	
" 17,	" telegram to I. F. Davidson	50	
Dec. 11.	By cash received for charter and supplies for Division 54		\$30 50
" 22,	To impression and other paper.....	1 30	

		<i>Dr.</i>	<i>Cr.</i>
1877.			
Dec. 22.	To postage stamps.....	\$2 58	
" 22.	" 150 circulars (No. 2).....	2 25	
" 31.	" postage stamps.....	3 00	
1878.			
Jan. 6.	" exchanges on magazine.....	65	
" 9.	" hotel expenses while attending meeting of Executive Committee.....	3 37	
Feb. 5.	" postage stamps for magazine.....	1 00	
" 19.	" money order to J. C. W. Long.....	10	
Mch. 4.	" postage stamps for circular No. 3.....	1 06	
Apr. 13.	" one-half ream letter paper.....	1 50	
" 13.	" one bottle Arnold's ink.....	1 00	
" 26.	" one copying press.....	7 00	
" 26.	" one brush for copying purposes.....	25	
" 26.	" cartage on press.....	25	
" 27.	" one copying book.....	1 25	
" 27.	" two rubber cards for book.....	40	
" 27.	" one bottle copying ink.....	2 50	
" 27.	" bill for circular No. 3.....	40	
" 27.	" bill for circular No. 4.....	1 25	
Aug. 14.	" postage on circulars.....	55	
" 22.	" postage on circulars.....	1 00	
Sept. 4.	" postage stamps for magazines.....	1 00	
" 4.	" postage stamps.....	50	
" 10.	By cash from J. C. W. Long.....		\$117 96
" 12.	To cash for money order to Long.....	10	
" 12.	" postage stamps.....	1 00	
" 17.	" cash for money order to J. C. W. Long.....	20	
" 26.	" postage stamps for magazines and letters...	1 00	
" 26.	" cash for legal cap paper.....	40	
" 26.	" one bottle mucilage.....	10	
" 30.	.....		50 00
		<u>\$304 80</u>	<u>\$198 46</u>

Moved by Bro. Stanchfield, A. G. C. C., that the Annual Report of the G. C. C. be submitted to a committee for distribution, consisting of Bros. Farmer, 44, Morford, 54, and Mead, 4. Motion carried.

G. D. closed at 12 M.

AFTERNOON.

G. D. opened at 2:30 P. M., G. C. C. Collins in the chair.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Bro. Daniels, 58, be appointed to assist the G. S. and T. in his duties. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 4, offered by Bro. Everts, 32:

Resolved, That a committee of 3 be appointed by the G. C. C. to examine Bro. Sloan, of Div. 19. and satisfy themselves as to whether he is entitled to a seat in this G. D.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, to adopt. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed Bros. Everts, 32, Boyles, 19, and Herman, 35, as such committee.

Committee reported that they had examined Bro. Sloan, and satisfied themselves that he was a member of the Order in good standing, when he was admitted to a seat in the G. D.

Minutes of the last G. D. read by Bro. Long, G. S. and T.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that only the total amounts in reports of G. S. and T., in minutes of the last G. D. be read. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Stanchfield, A. G. C. C., that minutes be approved. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Stanchfield, that rules be suspended, and standing committees appointed for the ensuing year. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed committees as follows

On Finance.—Bros. W. Kilpatrick, 1; H. S. Chapman, 2; L. R. Carver, 38; B. B. Brown, 53; and S. Herman, 35.

On Constitution and By-Laws.—Bros. C. S. Wheaton, 9; J. B. Morford, 54; F. E. Ketchum, 47; F. C. Farmer, 44; and C. Banks, 25.

On Work.—Bros. C. A. Stanchfield, A. G. C. C.; J. S. Best, 57; C. W. Everts, 32; F. C. Aechternacht, 55; and W. S. McClelland, 33.

Report of G. S. and T. read, as follows:

HALL OF CHICAGO DIV., No. 1, C. B. }
October 1, 1878. }

To the G. C. C., Grand Officers and Delegates to the Eleventh Annual Session of the G. D. of Conductors' Brotherhood:

WORTHY AND ESTEEMED BROTHERS:—I have the honor of submitting to your honorable body this, my third annual report as G. S. and T. of the Conductors' Brotherhood, and in so doing, regret exceedingly that it is not more flattering, and that in place of showing you a large amount of revenue in our treasury, which we all had hoped for, when we last assembled in convention, we are far in arrears of any previous period since our organization has been organized.

At the close of the last session of the G. D., we had seven hundred and eighty-two dollars and thirty-eight cents (\$782.38) in the treasury; of this sum five hundred and thirty-two dollars and sixty-seven cents (\$532.67) was paid to liquidate the expenses of the magazine to Oct. 1, 1877. In addition to this disbursement there was paid the balance due Bro. W. L. Collins, G. C. C., on account, and for *time* and expense while attending the G. D. at Elmira, sixty-seven dollars and forty eight cents (\$67.48); refunded to Monumental Division on account of express charges on magazines, seven dollars and seventy cents (\$7.70); to J. C. W. Long, for board while at Elmira, fifteen dollars and fifty cents (\$15.50); and to J. Ward Boyles, to apply on account, twenty dollars (\$20.00), leaving a balance in the treasury of one hundred and thirty-nine dollars and three cents (\$139.03). Of this amount ninety-five dollars (\$95.00) was paid to Bro. J. Ward Boyles, on magazine account, the remainder being disbursed as per itemized statement herewith attached.

In accordance with a resolution passed at Elmira, quite a number of divisions paid into the treasury a sum equal to one-half of their G. dues for 1878, for the purpose of making payment of the sum voted your G. C. C. and G. S. and T. for services rendered during the year then closed.

Long before this money had been received from the several divisions, bills for an unusual amount were coming in in favor of the magazine and against the G. D. funds proper, the November and December numbers alone amounting to five hundred dollars.

It is unnecessary for me to say these several amounts could not be met with a *less* sum than fifty dollars (\$50.00) in the treasury.

As soon as funds were received, I borrowed two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and added to it, and by January 22 had paid four hundred and ninety-five dollars (\$495.00).

Other expenses which had to be met from G. D. funds consumed the remainder to date.

I will not consume more of your valuable time in rehearsing the financial troubles of this office during the past year, but give you in conclusion an itemized statement of funds received, from whom, and for what they were disbursed.

Also a statement of the amounts due from the several divisions to date, with a complete statement of annual reports received, and number of members reported, number of expulsions, initiations, deaths, and number of new divisions organized during the year, with the number of members they bring within our "Circle of Unity."

Number of divisions reported.....	34
" " " failing to report.....	6
" " " organized during the year.....	7
" " members Sept. 1, 1878.....	849
" " " expelled.....	66
" " deaths.....	9
" " divisions reorganized.....	2

Increase in membership by new divisions.....	108
Number of members in Ins. last assessment.....	63
Number of members received in the Ins. for the past year.....	49
Total number of members in the Ins. to date.....	99
Number of divisions reported since G. D. opened.....	5
" " charters surrendered.....	6
" " divisions not working.....	9
Total number of divisions defunct.....	15

The following sums are due, as follows:

For advertising in magazine as per editor's report for 1877:

From division No. 54.....	\$0 75
" " 55.....	75

In closing my report I wish to call your attention to the amount now due from the G. D. as per action of the tenth annual session, held in the City of Elmira, N. Y., Oct. 2, 1877:

Amount voted W. L. Collins, G. C. C.....	\$250 00
" " J. C. W. Long, G. S. and T.....	250 00
" " J. W. Boyles on Mag. acct.....	250 00
Total.....	\$750 00

Of this sum, only three hundred and fifty dollars (\$350.00) has been paid, and that within the last ninety days.

This, with an itemized statement of all accounts, closes my report, all of which I most respectfully submit.

Yours truly in P. F.,

J. C. W. LONG, G. S. and T.

CONDUCTORS' BROTHERHOOD, IN ACCT. WITH J. C. W. LONG.

1877.		Dr.	Cr.
Dec. 3.	By balance on settlement with G. D.....		\$522 84
" 5.	" cash from Div. No. 7.....		18 50
" 5.	" " " 7, Mag.....		3 00
" 5.	" " " 31, ".....		8 75
" 6.	" " " 2.....		10 00
" 6.	" " " 31.....		5 00
" 6.	" " " 38.....		5 50
" 6.	" " " 22.....		39 00
" 6.	" " " 39.....		5 00
" 6.	" " " 45.....		10 00
" 6.	" " " 41.....		8 56
" 6.	" " " 42.....		5 00
" 6.	" " " 20.....		27 93

1877.		Dr.	Cr.
Dec.	6.	By cash from Div. No. 14.....	\$20 00
"	6.	" " " 9.....	5 00
"	6.	" " " 17.....	5 00
"	6.	" " " 49.....	5 00
"	6.	" " " 1.....	5 00
"	6.	" " " 43.....	5 00
"	6.	" " " 46.....	5 00
"	6.	" " " 15, Mag.....	62 50
"	6.	" " " 11, ".....	6 00
"	6.	To cash paid J. W. Boyles, on Magazine acct....	\$532 67
"	6.	" " W. L. Collins, expense to G. D. and account.....	67 48
"	6.	" cash paid Div. 15, ex. chgs. on Mag.....	7 70
"	6.	" " J. C. W. Long, expenses to Elmira.....	15 50
"	6.	" " J. W. Boyles on acct. 1877.....	20 00
"	17.	" cash to J. W. Boyles on Mag. acct.....	20 00
"	17.	" 1,000 envelopes.....	2 75
"	17.	" 100 postage stamps and 28 postal cards.....	3 28
"	25.	By cash from Div. 39.....	6 00
"	25.	" " " 44.....	8 40
Nov.	1.	" " " 24.....	28 00
"	18.	To cash to J. W. Boyles on Mag. acct.....	75 00
"	18.	" " paid for draft to J. W. Boyles.....	20
"	18.	" message to J. W. Boyles.....	50
"	21.	" 1,000 envelopes for G. C. C.....	2 75
"	26.	By cash from Div. 26.....	3 00
"	30.	" " " 33.....	4 05
"	30.	" " " 41.....	2 00
Dec.	4.	To drayage on magazines to J. W. Boyles.....	20
"	4.	" wrapping paper and rollers for charters.....	35
"	6.	By cash from Div. 41.....	16 50
"	14.	To message to J. W. Boyles.....	50
"	14.	" charges on message from J. W. Boyles.....	15
"	15.	By cash from Div. 38.....	4 50
"	15.	To 100 stamps.....	3 00
"	15.	" writing paper, 25c, and mucilage, 25c.....	50
"	17.	" cash to J. W. Boyles, Mag. account.....	125 00
"	22.	By cash from Div. 44.....	10 50
"	22.	To bill printing—bill No. 1.....	11 00
"	22.	" extra postage on mail received.....	15
"	24.	By cash from Div. 33.....	13 00
"	25.	" " " 49.....	6 00
"	25.	" " " 32.....	15 50
"	26.	To cash to J. W. Boyles on magazines.....	150 00
"	29.	By cash from Div. 17.....	8 50
"	29.	" " " 37.....	10 50

		Dr.	Cr.
1877.			
Dec. 31.	By cash from Div. 4.....		\$10 50
" 31.	" " " " 38.....		75
" 31.	" " on magazine account, 1877.....		54 50
1878.			
Jan. 7.	" " from Div. 37.....		30
" 7.	" " " " 46.....		12 00
" 9.	" " " " 52.....		20 00
" 11.	To one bottle writing fluid.....	\$ 0 90	
" 11.	" expenses to Elmira to Ex. Com. meeting....	25 25	
" 12.	By cash from Div. 49.....		19 00
" 16.	" " " " 7.....		12
" 16.	" " " " 1.....		15 00
" 16.	" " " " 12.....		75
" 16.	" " " " 9.....		11 00
" 16.	" " " " 54.....		30 50
" 18.	To " paid W. L. Collins, G. C. C.	30 50	
" 18.	" " " J. C. W. Long, on order of 1877..	25 00	
" 20.	By cash from Div. 2.....		18 00
" 20.	" " " " 22.....		20 00
" 22.	" " " " 20.....		14 00
" 22.	" " " " 9.....		3 55
" 22.	" " " " 41.....		2 50
" 22.	To cash paid to J. W. Boyles for Nov. Mag....	220 00	
" 22.	" 1 ball twine.....	20	
" 26.	By cash from Div. 37, for Ins.....		2 00
" 26.	" " " " 27.....		6 00
" 29.	" " " " 51.....		7 50
" 29.	" " " " 11.....		16 50
" 31.	To printing bill, bill No. 2.....	13 50	
Feb. 4.	By cash from Div. 1....		2 50
" 4.	To int. paid Gibson on notes per J. W. Boyles..	4 40	
" 4.	" ex. chgs. paid on Mag. for Div. 45.....	2 15	
" 4.	By cash on acct. Div. 45, Mag. chgs.....		2 15
" 10.	" " from Div. 42.....		10 00
" 20.	" " " " 55, charter.....		15 00
" 21.	" " " " 5.....		6 50
" 24.	To 100 postage stamps for G. C. C.	3 00	
Mch. 9.	" monograms for cards and letter heads.....	11 00	
" 12.	" 100 one-cent stamps for G. C. C.....	1 00	
" 15.	By cash from Div. 12.....		22 50
" 18.	" " " " 55.....		16 00
" 19.	" " " " 56.....		15 00
" 22.	" " " " 37.....		1 25
April 2.	" " " " 57.....		15 00
" 2.	" " " " 51.....		1 00

		Dr.	Cr.
1878.			
April 9.	To printing bill, bill No. 3.....	\$33 00	
" 12.	By cash from Div. 2.....		\$3 75
" 12.	" " " " 33.....		1 50
" 16.	To 75 stamps for G. C. C.....	2 25	
" 19.	" postage stamps.....	75	
" 19.	" " on supplies forwarded.....	10	
" 24.	By cash from Div. 58, charter.....		15 00
" 24.	To 100 postage stamps for G. C. C.....	3 00	
" 27.	By cash from Div. 15.....		25
May 18.	" " " " 4.....		3 55
" 20.	" " " " 10.....		75
" 25.	" " " " 58.....		15 90
" 25.	" " " " 2.....		9 50
" 29.	" " " " 6.....		20 00
" 29.	" " " " 59, charter.....		15 00
" 29.	To 25 postal cards.....	25	
June 6.	By cash from Div. 42.....		75
" 6.	" " " " 31.....		4 05
" 10.	" " " " 38.....		75
" 10.	To 100 stamps.....	3 00	
" 20.	" 100 stamps for G. C. C.....	3 00	
" 27.	By cash from Div. 37.....		25
" 29.	" " " " 14.....		1 00
July 3.	To ex. chgs. on seal, etc., from Laramie.....	1 50	
" 17.	By cash from Div. 49.....		2 95
" 22.	" " " " 35.....		30 00
" 27.	" " " " 56.....		9 75
" 27.	To 125 stamps.....	3 75	
Aug. 5.	" 200 stamps.....	6 00	
" 6.	By cash from Div. 59.....		12 65
" 6.	" " " " 14.....		6 05
" 13.	" " " " W. L. Collins.....		1 00
" 13.	" " " " W. H. Nollis.....		1 00
" 24.	" " " " W. L. Collins.....		5 00
" 25.	To 200 stamps.....	6 00	
" 26.	" chgs. on message from New York.....	10	
" 29.	By cash from Div. 2.....		24 50
" 31.	" " " " 10.....		19 00
Sept. 2.	" " " " 2.....		3 00
" 2.	" " " " 23.....		16 50
" 2.	To extra postage on mail received.....	10	
" 3.	By cash from Div. 33.....		25
" 4.	" " " " 37.....		12 25
" 5.	" " " " 44.....		15 00
" 5.	" " " " W. L. Collins, for cards.....		5 00

1878.		Dr.	Cr.
Sept. 5.	To cash to W. L. Collins, on order 13.....	\$ 17 96	
" 5.	" " to W. L. Collins, on salary, 1877.....	100 00	
" 5.	By cash from Div. 47.....		\$19 00
" 9.	" " " " 41.....		13 80
" 11.	" " " " 4.....		11 50
" 11.	To stamps, \$1.50, and paper, 25c.....	1 75	
" 12.	By cash from Div. 10.....		3 00
" 12.	" " " " 1.....		47 13
" 13.	" " " " 27.....		7 00
" 13.	" " " " 12.....		15 50
" 16.	" " " " 42.....		9 00
" 16.	" " " " 5.....		6 50
" 16.	" " " " 52.....		18 00
" 16.	" " " " 60, W. L. Collins.....		15 00
" 17.	" " " " 14.....		3 00
" 17.	" " " " 24.....		14 00
" 17.	" " " " 4.....		6 00
" 17.	" " " " 59.....		13 00
" 17.	" " " " 38.....		12 50
" 17.	To cash to J. W. Boyles, on magazine acct.....	50 00	
" 18.	By cash from Div. 20.....		13 20
" 18.	" " " " 33.....		13 00
" 18.	" " " " 1.....		60
" 20.	" " " " 54.....		35 20
" 20.	" " " " 21.....		15 00
" 20.	" " " W. L. Collins, for cards.....		7 00
" 20.	" " " Div. 52.....		75
" 20.	" " " " 53.....		17 00
" 20.	" " " " 9.....		32 95
" 20.	To 12 postage stamps.....	36	
" 23.	By cash from Div. 14.....		1 50
" 23.	" " " " 56.....		13 00
" 23.	" " " " 31.....		14 00
" 23.	" " " " 45.....		23 05
" 23.	" " " " 58.....		12 00
" 23.	To ½ quire paper, charges on check from 27, express charges on package from 45.....	60	
" 28.	By cash from Div. 25.....		15 50
" 28.	" " " " 57.....		30 65
" 28.	" " " " 35.....		28 20
" 28.	" " " " 32.....		12 50
" 28.	To cash transferred to magazine from No. 9....	10 50	
" 28.	" " returned to No. 9.....	1 00	
" 28.	" bill printing No. —.....	6 00	
" 28.	" stamps and paper.....	1 00	
" 30.	" cash paid W. L. Collins, acct., 1877.....	50 00	

1878.		Dr.	Cr.
Sept. 30.	To cash paid J. C. W. Long, acct., 1877.....	\$150 00	
" 30.	By cash from Div. 23.....		\$19 00
" 30.	" " magazine acct.....		50 00
" 30.	" " Div. 6.....		12 00
" 30.	" " " 35.....		2 00
" 30.	" " " 19.....		18 00
" 30.	" " " 17.....		50
" 30.	" " " 55.....		75
" 30.	" " " 60.....		16 65
" 30.	To stationery and supplies.....	1 80	
Oct. 2.	By cash from Div. 31.....		1 00
" 2.	" " " 31.....		6 50
" 2.	" " " 60.....		21 00
" 4.	" cash.....		75
" 4.	To postage on circulars.....	12 88	
" 5.	" stamp "adopted".....	50	
" 5.	By cash from Div. 11.....		10 80
	Balance.....	358 85	
		<u>\$2196 58</u>	<u>\$2196 58</u>

The following is a statement of the magazine account as far as funds were received into the treasury, with the amount due from divisions as per acct. received from Bro. J. W. Boyles, giving number of magazines forwarded to divisions:

There is due from Chicago Div., No. 1.....		\$60 00
" "	W. L. Collins.....	13 50
" "	Collins Div., No. 5.....	100 00
" "	Berkley " 6.....	74 50
" "	Eureka " 7.....	9 00
" "	Crestline " 8.....	6 50
" "	Allegheny " 11.....	21 00
" "	Cleveland " 14.....	35 00
" "	Monumental " 15.....	60 75
" "	Grafton " 16.....	8 50
" "	Wellsville " 20.....	4 50
" "	Gate City " 22.....	75 00
" "	Freeport " 25.....	24 00
" "	Star " 31.....	13 50
" "	Keystone State " 32.....	38 00
" "	Hawkeye " 41.....	75 00
" "	Denver " 44.....	4 50
" "	Waterloo " 47.....	5 50
		<u>\$623 75</u>

The amount due for advertising I am unable to state, as I have no method of knowing the amount due. There has not been a dollar paid into the treasury for advertising during the past year. Commencing with January 1, the following sums of money have been received and paid out as per orders signed by the G. C. C.:

There is due on magazine printing, as follows:

For August number.....	\$192 50
“ September “	192 50
“ October “	210 00
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	\$595 00

MAGAZINE RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES.

1878.		Dr.	Cr.
Jan.	1. By cash from S. J. Myers, 37.....		\$ 1 50
“	2. “ “ W. L. Collins, 3.....		18 00
“	2. “ “ S. J. Smith, 44.....		24 00
“	4. “ “ A. Yeomans, 51.....		36 00
“	9. “ “ J. H. Kimball, 52.....		30 00
“	9. To cash to J. W. Boyles, at Elmira.....	\$50 00	
“	16. By cash from D. T. Price, 7.....		33 00
“	16. To ex. chgs. paid by No. 7 on magazine.....	55	
“	16. By cash from C. F. Collier, 47.....		24 00
“	22. “ “ I. N. Dutcher, 9.....		30 00
“	22. “ “ M. W. Farley, 24.....		22 50
“	22. “ “ C. F. Collier, 47.....		15 00
“	24. “ “ J. H. McPartland, 31.....		30 00
“	26. “ “ S. J. Myer, 37.....		6 00
“	26. “ “ G. Coale, 11.....		18 00
“	29. “ “ A. Yeomans, 51.....		103 50
“	29. To 3,000 copies for February.....	225 00	
“	31. By cash from Jno. Kopp, 33.....		15 00
Feb.	2. “ “ W. L. Collins, 3.....		33 00
“	2. “ “ S. J. Myers, 37.....		1 50
“	2. “ “ P. S. Sutlay, 2.....		80 00
“	2. “ “ Jas. Laughlin, 49.....		30 00
“	2. “ “ C. M. Arnold.....		9 00
“	2. To cash to J. W. Boyles, for January order.....	99 85	
“	5. “ ex. chgs. on magazine to No. 45.....	2 60	
“	5. By cash from C. H. Richie, 45.....		37 50
“	5. “ “ Miss Allie Hopkins.....		1 50
“	7. “ “ C. H. Richie, 45.....		22 50
“	7. “ “ S. J. Smith, 44.....		21 00
“	7. To ex. chgs. on package from Div. 20.....	25	
“	10. By cash from J. A. Platt, 38.....		16 50
“	10. “ “ C. R. Ashton.....		45 00

		Dr	Cr.
Feb.	10. By cash from W. Champney, 20.....		\$50 00
"	10. " " W. L. Seely, 43.....		14 25
"	12. " " G. C. Newton, 47.....		1 50
"	12. To 50 postal cards.....	\$0 50	
"	14. By cash from D. T. Price, 7.....		6 00
"	15. To 100 postage stamps.....	3 00	
"	17. By cash from G. W. Swayze, 12.....		25 00
"	17. " " W. L. Collins.....		40 50
"	20. " " J. J. Preston, 42.....		52 50
"	21. " " W. L. Collins, 3.....		7 50
"	21. " " J. H. Kimball, 52.....		6 00
"	27. " " G. W. Lewis, 18.....		10 50
"	27. " " G. W. Swayze, 12.....		8 50
"	27. To 3,000 magazines for March.....	225 00	
"	27. " salary paid J. W. Boyles for February.....	98 78	
"	27. " chgs. on draft from Div. 12.....	45	
Mch.	2. By cash from Jas. Laughlin, 49.....		34 50
"	6. " " I. N. Dutcher, 9.....		20 00
"	6. " " W. A. Mills, Jr., 46.....		4 50
"	6. " " W. Harris, 5.....		50 00
"	6. " " J. H. Kimball, 52.....		1 50
"	6. " " J. C. W. Long, 23.....		60 00
"	8. " " W. L. Seely, 43.....		9 00
"	18. " " G. W. Swayze, 12.....		24 00
"	18. " " J. P. Gray, 23.....		1 50
"	18. " " L. M. Blakesley, 23.....		4 50
"	18. " " G. Coale, 11.....		27 00
"	18. " " J. W. Boyles, for 34.....		18 00
"	18. " " J. W. Boyles.....		21 00
"	22. " " S. J. Myers, 37.....		1 50
"	23. " " C. M. Arnold.....		4 00
"	23. " " M. W. Farley.....		9 00
"	26. " " C. C. Parker, 42.....		6 00
"	26. " " C. M. Arnold.....		5 00
"	26. To 3,000 copies magazines for April.....	225 00	
"	28. " editor's salary for March.....	101 31	
"	30. By cash from G. W. Swayze, 12.....		13 00
"	30. " " J. S. Dunn, 16.....		18 00
Apr.	2. " " A. Yeomans, 51.....		4 50
"	6. To exchange on draft from Div. 12.....	25	
"	19. By cash from J. C. W. Long, 23.....		3 00
"	24. " " J. H. McPartland, 31.....		30 00
"	24. To 3,000 copies magazine for May.....	225 00	
"	24. " salary of editor for April.....	97 09	
May	2. By cash from G. Coale, 11.....		4 50
"	2. " " J. W. Boyles.....		1 50

1878.		Dr.	Cr.
May	2.	By cash from J. T. Martin, 6.	\$40 00
"	12.	" " J. H. Kimball, 52.	1 50
"	14.	" " C. F. Collier, 47.	16 50
"	16.	" " C. E. Cross, 25.	18 50
"	18.	" " C. H. Richie, 45.	15 00
"	25.	" " J. E. Sweet, 45.	29 25
"	25.	To ex. chgs. on magazine, Div. 15.	\$2 55
"	29.	By cash from J. Kopp, 33.	1 50
"	29.	" " J. H. Alexander, 8.	10 00
June	10.	" " J. H. Sutley, 2.	20 00
"	22.	" " G. W. Swayze, 12.	6 50
"	22.	To cash to Rand, McNally & Co.	125 00
"	22.	" exchange on draft from Div. 12.	20
"	24.	By cash from W. A. Smith, 23.	1 50
"	27.	" " S. J. Myers, 37.	4 50
July	1.	" " P. J. Sutley, 2.	20 00
"	17.	" " Jas. Laughlin, 49.	18 50
"	22.	" " G. W. Swayze, 12.	3 50
"	23.	" " Div. 4, per J. W. Boyles.	60 00
"	23.	To cash paid to J. W. Boyles on acct. May.	60 00
"	23.	" exchange on draft from No. 12.	25
"	25.	By cash from J. W. Dent, 27.	50 00
"	25.	" " J. S. Dunn, 16.	11 00
"	25.	" " N. Champney, 20.	33 50
"	25.	To cash to Rand, McNally & Co. on June number.	85 00
"	27.	By cash from I. N. Dutcher, 9.	11 50
"	31.	" " C. M. Arnold, 56.	1 50
"	31.	To postage stamps.	51
Aug.	2.	By cash from P. J. Sutley, 2.	20 00
"	3.	" " C. R. Ashton.	30 00
"	3.	" " C. A. Stanchfield.	30 00
"	3.	To cash to Rand, McNally & Co., on July Mag.	100 00
"	14.	" " " bal.	110 00
"	18.	By cash from G. Coale, 11.	16 50
"	15.	" " P. J. Sutley, 2.	25 00
"	15.	" " C. F. Collier, 47.	18 50
"	15.	" " L. Harper, 6.	28 00
Sept.	3.	" " J. C. W. Long, 23.	6 00
"	20.	" " J. W. Dent, 27.	17 50
"	20.	" " C. S. Wheaton, 9.	10 50
"	23.	" " P. J. Sutley, 2.	16 50
"	23.	" " J. H. McPartland, 31.	9 00
"	30.	To amount refunded to G. D.	50 00
"	30.	By cash from C. S. Wheaton, 9.	18 00
Oct.	1.	" " M. Long, 14.	40 00
		\$1,888 14	\$1,951 50
Balance.		63 36	
			\$1,951 50

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, to refer report of G. S. and T. to a special committee of three. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed as above committee. Bros. I. N. Hodges, 20, W. H. Berkheimer, 27, and C. F. Van Vleit, 12.

Resolution No. 5, offered by Bro. Long, G. S. and T.:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to invite the several railway officials of lines centering in Chicago, also the officials of the City of Chicago, and members of the press, on Friday, at 2:30 P. M., for the purpose of mutual exchange of sentiments.

Moved by Bro. Collins, G. C. C. (Bro. Stanchfield, A. G. C. C., in the chair), that rules be suspended and resolutions adopted. Motion carried.

G. D. closed at 6 P. M.

SECOND DAY.—MORNING.

CHICAGO, Oct. 2, 1878.

G. D. opened and declared ready for business, Bro. W. L. Collins, G. C. C., in the chair.

Report of Grand Lecturer, Organizer, and Editor of Magazine, read as follows:

To the Members of the Eleventh Grand Convention of the Conductors' Brotherhood:

I respectfully submit my report as Grand Lecturer, Organizer, and Editor of Magazine.

After the grand excursion of last year, we returned to Omaha to prepare the November issue of the magazine.

When ready for distribution, the publisher refused to allow the work to leave the building until paid for.

As no funds were forthcoming from the Treasurer, we gave our note for \$220, with interest. After this was done, Grand Treasurer wrote us that he could send us one hundred and twenty-five dollars, which was all he had on hand.

We telegraphed him at once to "hold funds," that that amount might be held to apply on the payment of the December magazine and expenses.

Feeling incensed at the unkind treatment received from the publisher, we moved to Chicago a month sooner than we had calculated when at the Elmira convention.

About the middle of November, 1877, we received a notice from Bro. I. F. Davidson, that several conductors at Jersey City, N. Y., had expressed a desire to organize a division of our Order at that city.

We arrived at that place, accompanied by the G. C. C., and Bro. Rosencranz, Bro. Davidson, and other brothers joined us during the day.

We found that only a few had signified a desire, and the others we met were not ready, so we returned, with a promise from them that they would consider the matter and notify us when they were ready.

When contracting with Rand, McNally & Co. for the publishing of the magazine, they would not undertake the work unless we became personally responsible for the same, to which we agreed, and promised that the work would be paid for before leaving their building. In due time we sent bill to G. C. C. for approval, which was received and ordered paid by him.

We wrote Grand Treasurer the arrangement made with Rand, McNally & Co., and asked him to send us the amount of bill, or what he could. The magazine was ready for distribution several days, but no funds came, so we gave our note for the amount, \$280, which amount was larger than previous ones, owing to the increase of sixteen pages, and setting up the matter new.

As no funds were coming from the Grand Treasurer, we appealed to a few divisions for hasty assistance.

Members of Division No. 32 very kindly and at once sent us \$211.50; Division No. 1 raised us \$60; these amounts relieved our temporary embarrassments. Some time afterwards funds came from Grand Treasurer.

Feeling that some new incentive should be given members of our Order to exert themselves and assist us in securing a large list of subscribers for the coming year, we designed a new cover to make the book more attractive, so we drafted the one used since that time.

Rand, McNally & Co. agreed to do the engraving and woodcut, also the electrotyping, for \$75, \$25 of which they would take in advertising, leaving the plate complete for \$50, which is for your honorable body to say whether it shall be paid or not.

March 3, we organized Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, with 18 charter members.

In the early part of April we visited Divisions 32, 5, 15, 6, and members of No. 16, the condition of which has already been given in the columns of the magazine.

April 28, assisted by State D. G. C. C., Bro. Newton, and several members of Division No. 4, Valley City Division, No. 58, was organized, with 14 charter members.

June 5, we organized Pyramid Division, No. 56, with 13 charter members, assisted by Bro. Lish, of Division 45.

We continued our journey to San Francisco, Cal., at the request and expense of Division No. 56, that the general officers of our line would fully understand from us the good of our Association, which we think was favorable to the Order, as the officers expressed a kindly feeling before we left them. On our return visited the members of Divisions 51, 45, 46, 43, and 35, as previously reported through the magazine.

July 11, Alamo Division, No. 59, was organized by us with 11 charter members. On our return we visited Divisions 53, 49, and 4, and found them all in good condition.

Sept. 5 we forwarded application and funds for charter for new division at Sedalia, Mo. Sept. 16, received notice that charter was sent.

Sunday, Sept. 22, we organized Queen City Division, No. 60, with 21 charter members.

A total of five divisions with 77 charter members, traveling a distance, in the interest of the Order, of 12,961 miles.

Paid fare on trips (not refunded), \$21.80.

The following is a list of magazines ordered by express and mail:

ORDERED BY.	No.	lb.	No. Copies.	AMOUNT.	PAID.	TO WHOM.	BALANCE DUE.	REMARKS.
W. Kilpatrick.....	1	80		\$120 00	\$60 00	J.W.B.	\$60 00	Received to J. C. W. L.
E. Whitman.....	2	121		181 50			181 50	
W. L. Collins.....		72		108 00			108 00	
H. Weston.....	4	40		60 00	60 00	J.W.B.		Received to J. C. W. L.
Collins Div.....	5	100		150 00			150 00	
Berklev.....	6	95		142 50			142 50	
D. T. Price.....	7	32		48 00			48 00	
A. S. Alexander.....	8	11		16 50			16 50	
T. N. Dutcher.....	9	60		90 00			90 00	
G. Coale.....	11	53		79 50			79 50	
G. Swayze.....	12	54		81 00			81 00	
M. Long.....	14	50		75 00			75 00	
J. E. Sweet.....	15	60		90 00			90 00	
J. S. Dunn.....	16	25		37 50			37 50	
N. Champney.....	20	55		82 50			82 50	
J. C. W. Long.....	22	50		75 00			75 00	
J. C. W. Long.....	23	55		82 50			82 50	
J. C. W. Long.....	24	21		31 50			31 50	
Chas. Cross.....	25	15		22 50			22 50	
J. W. Dent.....	27	45		67 50			67 50	
C. A. Stanchfield.....		30		45 00			45 00	
J. H. McPartland.....	31	46		69 00			69 00	
C. W. Everts.....	32	163		244 50	244 15	J.W.B.	35	Received for \$211.50 to J. C. W. L.
Division.....	34	12		18 00			18 00	
J. F. Adams.....	35	25		37 50			37 50	Secured by J. F. Adams.
I. F. Davidson.....	37	13		19 50			19 50	
J. C. W. Long.....	38	65		97 50			97 50	
Division.....	41	50		75 00	40 00	J.W.B.	35 00	
C. C. Parker.....	42	39		58 50			58 50	
E. R. Dougherty.....	44	23		34 50			34 50	
S. J. Smith.....	44	10		15 00			15 00	
C. H. Richie.....	45	50		75 00			75 00	
G. C. Newton.....	47	50		75 00			75 00	
Jas. Laughlin.....	49	52		78 00			78 00	
A. Yeomans.....	51	94		141 00			141 00	
J. H. Kimball.....	52	27		40 50			40 50	
J. R. Wright.....	53	6		9 00	9 00	J.W.B.		

ORDERED BY.	No. Bk.	No. Copies.	AMOUNT.	PAID.	TO WHOM.	BALANCE DUE.	REMARKS.
F. D. Crane.....	55	16	\$24 00	\$9 00	J. W. B.	\$15 00	
C. M. Arnold.....	56	13	19 50			19 50	
C. R. Ashton.....		50	75 00			75 00	
J. J. Cortez.....		27	40 50	39 00	J. W. B.	1 50	
W. P. Daniels.....		25	37 50	37 50	J. W. B.		
W. F. Francis.....		9	13 50			13 50	(See money received.)
W. L. Seeley.....		16	24 00			24 00	
W. A. Mills.....		3	4 50			4 50	
E. H. Owen.....		6	9 00	9 00	J. W. B.		Sent J. C. W. Long.
J. C. W. L., for Chillicothe, O.....		10	15 00			15 00	
J. C. W. L., for Philadelphia, Pa.....		7	10 50			10 50	
J. C. W. L., for Pittsburg, Pa.....		5	7 50			7 50	
J. C. W. L., for Miscellaneous as per list.....		7	10 50			10 50	
Single subscribers.....		55	82 50	82 50	J. W. B.		
Exchanges and complimentary.....		101					
Total.....		2199	\$3,147 00	\$590 15		\$2,556 85	

1877.	FROM WHAT SOURCE.	AMOUNT.	RECEIPTED TO.
Nov. 29.	Draft from J. C. W. Long.....	\$75 00	J. C. W. L.
Dec. 16.	Pa. money from C. W. Everts.....	211 50	J. C. W. L.
" 16.	" " W. Kilpatrick.....	60 00	J. C. W. L.
" 25.	" " J. C. W. Long.....	125 00	J. C. W. L.
" 31.	" " ".....	150 00	J. C. W. L.
1878.			
Jan. 1.	" " J. C. Whissen.....	4 50	J. C. W. L.
" 2.	" " J. C. W. L. for Div. 38.....	81 00	J. C. W. L.
" 9.	" " " at Elmira.....	50 00	J. C. W. L.
" 14.	" " J. J. Cortez.....	34 50	J. J. Cortez.
" 20.	" " W. T. Francis.....	4 50	J. C. W. L.
" 23.	" " J. C. W. Long.....	224 40	J. C. W. L.
" 23.	" " W. P. Daniels.....	22 50	W. P. Daniels.
" 31.	" " W. T. Francis.....	3 00	J. C. W. L.
Feb. 1.	" " J. C. W. Long.....	225 00	J. C. W. L.
" 3.	" " ".....	99 85	J. C. W. L.
" 11.	" " J. J. Cortez.....	4 50	J. J. Cortez.
" 20.	" " W. P. Daniels.....	7 50	W. P. Daniels.
" 20.	" " H. Weston.....	60 00	J. C. W. L.

1877.		FROM WHAT SOURCE.	AMOUNT.	RECEIPTED TO.
Feb. 28.	Pa.	money from J. C. W. Long.....	\$225 00	J. C. W. L.
" 28.	"	" " "	98 78	J. C. W. L.
Mar. 15.	"	" " W. I. Allen.....	21 00	W. I. Allen.
" 23.	"	" " C. W. Everts.....	32 65	C. W. Everts.
" 23.	"	" " W. T. Francis.....	1 50	
April 9.	"	" " G. Coule.....	4 50	J. C. W. L.
" 11.	"	" " J. C. W. Long.....	101 31	J. C. W. L.
" 11.	"	" " F. D. Crane.....	9 00	F. D. Crane.
" 18.	"	" " E. H. Owen.....		\$9.00 sent J.C.W.L.
May 5.	"	" " Division 58.....	6 00	Division 58.
June 10.	"	" " J. C. W. Long.....	100 09	J. C. W. L.
" 11.	"	" " Division 56.....	6 00	Div. 56.
" 18.	"	" " "	1 50	Div. 56.
June 23.	"	" " J. N. Fortney	40 00	J. N. Fortney.
July 25.	"	" " I. R. Wright.....	9 00	I. R. Wright.
Aug. 16.	"	" " Dr.Pierce, advertiser	50 00	Dr. Pierce.
" 19.	"	" " D. A. Piercy.....	15 00	D. A. Piercy.
" 30.		Cancelled board bill at Planters' House.....	12 00	
" 30.	Pa.	money from Division 58.....	1 50	
Sept. 15.	Cash	from 55 subscriptions, as per list	82 50	
" 20.	"	" J. C. W. Long.....	50 00	
" 20.	"	" H. R. Cabery.....	9 00	For advertisement.
" 31.	Board Bill	at Tremont.....	12 00	
Total.			\$2,331 08	

MONTHLY AMOUNTS PAID OUT, CONDENSED FROM BOOK, INCLUDING ALL EXPENSES, EXCEPT MAGAZINE FROM MARCH.

November, 1877.	\$316 25
December, "	378 73
January, 1878.	332 83
February, "	328 18
March, "	326 81
April, "	00 09
May, "	96 25
June, "	96 19
July, "	100 32
August, "	96 38
September, "	97 79
October, "	95 00
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Cr. by vote of Grand Div., 1877.	\$2,364 32
	250 00
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Amount received.	\$2,614 32
	2,331 08
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Balance due.	\$283 24

ADVERTISEMENTS.	AMOUNT.	PAID.	HOW PAID.
Tremont House.	\$22 00	\$12 00	Board J. W. B.
D. A. Piercy, Omaha, Neb.	15 00	15 00	Cash "
Six Months, Dr. Pierce's Tourists' House.	50 00	50 00	" "
H. R. Caberey, Regalia Advertisement.	25 00	9 00	" "
Notified, American House, Denver, Col.	18 00		
Planters' House, Omaha, Neb.	12 00	12 00	
Notified, Cheyenne Eating House.	12 00		
For Frontispiece, January number, Baker & Co., Engravers.	12 00		
Grand Central Hotel, Omaha.	12 00		
J. E. Markel & Co., Hotel, Omaha.	12 00		
To apply on cover, Rand, McNally & Co., Chicago.	25 00		
For Pass over line, C. & N.-W. R'y.			
" " C., B. & Q. R'y.			
" " P., F. W. & C. R'y.			
" " C., R. I. & P. R'y.			
" " M., K. & T. R'y.			
	<hr/> \$208 00	<hr/> \$98 00	

Balance due on adds. \$105 00

*Frazier House, Elmira, N. Y.

*Commercial Hotel, Meadville.

*Car Seat Lock.

During the past year we have labored earnestly for the success of the Order and the magazine.

We have been at a personal expense of sixty dollars for "cuts" to illuminate the work, which we give freely to the Order.

That the magazine has not been a failure, no doubt, will be determined before this convention is over, when you consider that about seven hundred dollars received for the magazine of this year have gone to pay the indebtedness of past years, or the year previous, as no provision was made at last convention for such indebtedness.

Many may think it an easy matter to edit a magazine to the satisfaction of every body. If the editor omits anything, he is called lazy or incompetent; if he glances over or smooths down the rough edges, he is bribed; if he refuses to publish personal abuses, he is condemned and declared unfit for the position.

As our magazine is different from many others, we have endeavored to please all, and protect not only the reputation of the accuser, but the accused, feeling that as a brotherhood, it matters not how low a man may

*For G. D. to decide, to fill in to be paid for after three months if continued.

fall in the scale of human life, it is the duty of every brother to help elevate him to a better position.

We can not do it by abuse or defamation.

If anything has appeared in the magazine whereby any sensitive spirit has been wounded, we are very sorry.

Many articles sent for publication have not appeared because of their unfitness, or their bearing a similarity to something previously published in the magazine.

Hoping the friendship and co-operation heretofore existing will be continued, and by stronger ties of fellowship and fewer misunderstandings we may all succeed as a brotherhood.

Very fraternally yours,

J. WARD BOYLES,

Grand Lecturer, Organizer, and Editor of Magazine.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that Bro. Boyles be allowed five minutes to explain his report. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Bro. Boyles be allowed to finish his remarks. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Morford, 54, that report of G. L., O. and E. be referred to Committee on Finance. Motion carried.

G. C. C. Collins called A. G. C. C. Stanchfield to the chair and took the floor, for the purpose of offering preamble and resolution No. 6:

WHEREAS, The Constitution which has been in use the past two years appears to be entirely ignored, delegates are admitted in contravention to the requirements of said Constitution, and the rules and order of business are broken and violated without a suspension of the rules; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Constitution now in use be, and and it is hereby declared null and void, and that during this session of the Grand Division, or until such time as a new Constitution can be adopted, this Grand Division be governed by general parliamentary rules.

Moved by Bro. Best, 57, that resolution be adopted. Motion lost.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., to lay on the table. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 7, offered by Bro. Wheaton, 9:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to retire and examine Bro. W. B. Moore, and see that his credential is properly filled out as delegate from Division No. 60, and receive their annual report and grand dues, said grand dues to make Division No. 60 square to Oct. 1, 1878.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that rules be suspended and resolution No. 7 adopted. Motion carried.

G. C. C. Collins resumed the chair.

G. C. C. appointed as a committee to examine Bro. Moore, Bros. Everts, 32, Long, G. S. and T., and Chapman, 2.

G. C. C. appointed as committee provided by resolution No. 5, Bros. Morford, 54, Kilpatrick, 1, and Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C.

On suggestion of Bro. Wheaton, 9, G. C. C. ordered a recess of ten minutes, to give delegates an opportunity of becoming acquainted.

G. D. called to order by G. C. C.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that rules be suspended and G. D. closed until 2 P. M. Motion carried.

G. D. closed at 12:30 P. M.

SECOND DAY.--AFTERNOON.

G. D. opened at 2:15 P. M., by A. G. C. C. Stanchfield, and declared ready for business.

Committee to examine Bro. W. B. Moore and report of Division 60 reported as follows:

We, the committee appointed to investigate matters pertaining to the admission of delegate from Div. 60, hereby report that the annual report has been made out and a credential signed by the G. C. C. and G. S. and T., with the seal of the Grand Division attached, furnished said delegate.

C. W. EVERTS,
J. C. W. LONG,
H. S. CHAPMAN,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Morford, 54, that report of committee be accepted and Bro. Moore be admitted as delegate from Div. 60. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 8, by Bro. Wheaton, 9:

WHEREAS, The brothers of Div. No. 1 have provided a very handsome badge, both for delegates and visitors; therefore, be it

Resolved, That out of courtesy to Div. No. 1, this Grand Division direct and order all delegates and visitors to wear said badge during the session of this Grand Division and on the excursion.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that rules be suspended and resolution No. 8 adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 9, by Bro. Boyles, 19:

Resolved, That a small rubber stamp with the word "approved" be provided for the G. S. and T., to use on resolutions and reports adopted.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that rules be suspended and resolution No. 9 adopted. Motion carried.

Report of Executive Committee read as follows, by Bro. J. H. Kimball, chairman :

To the G. C. C., Officers and Members of the Eleventh Annual Session of the G. D. :

As chairman of your Executive Committee, I submit to you the following report of all business brought before your committee since the tenth annual session of the G. D., at Elmira, N. Y. :

Oct. 28, 1877, I received from Bro. A. A. Sharpe, of Macon, Ga., his resignation as a member of the Executive Committee.

I at once sent a copy of the resignation to the G. C. C. and Bro. C. S. Wheaton, the other member of the Executive Committee, asking for advice, and at their suggestion I accepted Bro. Sharpe's resignation, under date of Nov. 11, 1877.

On the 19th of Dec., 1877, I called a meeting of the Executive Committee at Elmira, N. Y., requesting the presence of the G. C. C. for the purpose of appointing some brother to fill the vacancy in the Executive Committee, and consultation on affairs of the Order.

Bro. M. A. Shattuck, of Buffalo Div., No. 2, was appointed a member of your committee in place of Bro. A. A. Sharpe, resigned, and accepted the appointment under date of Dec. 27, 1877.

Dec. 27, 1877, I received a letter from the G. C. C., dated Dec. 25, 1877, demanding that I, as chairman of the Executive Committee, call a meeting of that committee at my earliest convenience, requesting the presence of Bros. J. C. W. Long, G. S. and T., J. Ward Boyles, Editor, the G. C. C., and C. C. and Sec. of Div. 32, and such other witnesses as might be necessary, and have a fair and impartial investigation of existing troubles between the Editor and the G. S. and T., also the charge made by Div. No. 32 against the G. C. C.

The call was at once issued for a meeting to be held at Elmira, N. Y., Jan. 8, 1878, and all parties interested notified to be present, the G. S. and T. and Editor being requested to bring their books for the inspection of the committee.

Pursuant to call the committee met with the G. C. C., G. S. and T., Editor and C. C., Secretary and two brothers of Div. 32, in attendance.

The books of the G. S. and T. and Editor were posted up and a balance struck, since which time your committee have not audited them.

The existing troubles between the Grand Officers were amicably arranged, and a cordial feeling of "perpetual friendship" established.

The charges which the G. C. C. held were preferred against him by Div. No. 32, not being intended as charges, the matter was dropped by mutual consent.

At the request of your committee the G. C. C. gave the following decisions :

All funds received by the Editor for subscriptions to the magazine must be sent at once to the G. S. and T., and all funds received by the Editor for advertising in the magazine must take the same course.

All bills for printing the magazine, or any other expense connected therewith, must be sent to the G. C. C. for his approval, and be paid by draft on the G. S. and T., and your chairman so instructed both G. S. and T. and editor of the magazine, and impressed it on the minds of all present.

The good results of the meeting have been seen all through the year in the harmony existing between the Grand Officers; still we deplore the state of feeling that does from time to time manifest itself among members of the Order, and believe that should all Grand Officers live up to the requirements of the Constitution and the law, this would all disappear, and we think any Grand Officer in a high degree censurable who willfully violates the recognized law of the Order. Respectfully submitted,

J. H. KIMBALL, Chairman.
C. S. WHEATON.

I hereby present the following bill of personal expenses for the year ending Sept. 30, 1878, incurred while attending to the duties pertaining to the office of Chairman of the Executive Committee, and ask that this bill be audited and a draft drawn for the amount at once :

Lost time while attending special meeting at Elmira, Dec. 19, 20 and 21, 3 days, @ \$2.70 per day.....	\$8 10
Two messages from J. C. W. Long and Bros. Everts and Ramsey.....	1 00
Lost time while attending special meeting at Elmira, Jan. 8 and 9, 1878, being from home five days six days @ \$2.70 per day.....	16 20
Hotel bill at Elmira.....	3 00
Postage and stationery.....	2 20

	\$30 50

J. H. KIMBALL,
Chairman Ex. Com.

To Officers and Delegates of G. D., Chicago, Ill., Oct. 2, 1878 :

The following is bill of expenses for year ending Oct. 1, 1878, as member of Executive Committee :

To postage and stationery for correspondence.....	\$3 50
To two days' lost time while at meeting of Executive Committee, Dec. 30, 1877, @ \$2.45 per day.....	4 90
Total.....	-----
	\$8 40

All of which is respectfully submitted,

C. S. WHEATON, of Ex. Com.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that report be accepted and bills referred to Committee on Finance. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that rules be suspended and report of Special Committee on Constitution and By-Laws read. Motion carried.

Report read as follows by Bro. Wheaton, 9, chairman.*

G. C. C. Collins resumed the chair at 3:30 P. M.

Moved by Bro. Best, 57, that report be received and committee discharged. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that bill of Special Committee on Constitution and By-Laws be referred to Committee on Finance. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that report of Special Committee on Constitution and By-Laws be referred to Standing Committee on same. Motion carried.

Report of committee appointed at last annual session of the G. D., to visit Mr. Thos. A. Scott and others, and explain the principles of the Order ready by C. S. Wheaton, 9, chairman, as follows :

ELMIRA, N. Y., Sept. 27, 1878.

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Division, C. B.:

Your committee to whom was assigned the duty to ascertain how Mr. Thos. A. Scott, President of the Pennsylvania R. R. Co., felt towards the Conductors' Brotherhood, also to see that he understood our aims and objects and our principles, respectfully report as follows:

On my return to Elmira, from our annual excursion last year, I went immediately to my superintendent and told him what I had been instructed to do; he said he was going to Philadelphia in a few days and would intercede for me and obtain an interview. Upon his return I was out of town, and upon my return I called upon him and found he had done nothing; I then asked him if he had any objections to my reaching him; he said No in a way that told me he thought I would have my trouble for my pains; but I wrote a letter to the gentleman and received an invitation to visit him at his convenience, and finally appointed an interview in April.

I went and presented my card to the janitor, and after waiting an hour was told that Mr. Scott was out, and would return in the afternoon. I went at 2 P. M. and waited another hour, and was told that he was out of town for the remainder of the day. So I came home and wrote him the entire principles of the Order as set forth at the Elmira Convention, and asked a reply.

It came, and in substance this: *He sympathized with and encouraged all men in laudable enterprises, but cautioned me against bad men. "Your principles are sound," said he, "and good, but to endorse a BROTHERHOOD I cannot, having had much more experience with brotherhoods than you, but as long as you stand by the principles you have written me, I will not oppose you, and we will wait and see."*

*For report, see New Constitution.

†Bill included in report.

I have given you the gist of his letter; I cannot read you his letter. for I am enjoined not to, so I have given you as near it as I can.

All I can say in conclusion, is to repeat the words of this great railroad man, "*Beware of bad men!*" We have this element in nearly all our divisions; let us beware of all such, and let it not be said of us, that they killed themselves.

Respectfully,

C. S. WHEATON, Committee.

I have also the following bill to present in connection with this report:

To two days' lost time @ \$2.45 per day.....	\$4 90
Hotel bill.....	2 00
Total.....	\$6 90

C. S. WHEATON.

Moved by Bro. Long, G. S. and T., that report be received and bill referred to Committee on Finance. Motion carried.

Report of Committee appointed to draft plan for a new charter, presented by G. C. C. Collins, chairman, as follows:

No plan agreed upon and nothing to recommend.

Moved by Bro. Everts, that report be received. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 10, by Bro. Wheaton, 9:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the G. C. C., whose duty it shall be to take measures to have this Order chartered by the United States Government.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, to adopt Resolution No. 10. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed Bros. C. S. Wheaton, 9, L. R. Carver, 38, and C. W. Everts, 32, as committee provided by Resolution No. 10.

Resolution No. 11, by Bro. Ashton, 31:

Resolved, That by virtue of the position of the Executive Committee they be entitled to all the rights and privileges of the Grand Division.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, to adopt Resolution No. 11. Motion carried.

G. C. C. Collins, chairman of committee to obtain charter and property of defunct Div. No. 5, reported that no property could be found.

Moved by Bro. Banks, 25, that report be received. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Best, 57, that Bro. Boyles be requested to procure a draft for a new charter. Motion carried.

Communication from Kaw Valley Div., No. 55, read by G. S., as follows:

KANSAS CITY, Sept., 17, 1878.

To the Grand Division and Delegates:

It has been given out at a meeting of Kaw Valley Div., No. 55, as a good idea to adopt, by the Grand Division, to make a separate degree for brakemen that have had experience in running trains and broke several years, for which purpose we could use in the initiation of them into our Order for the good of the Order; this to be taken into consideration by the Grand Division.

Also the change of name in our Order, as we think it would help us in developing our principles more fully. As every organization has a brotherhood or union attached, we think it advisable to change the name and advocate it unanimously.

Yours in P. F.,

E. F. SEYMOUR, C. C.

F. D. CRANE, Sec.

Moved by Bro. Long, G. S. and T., that communication be received and placed on file. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 12, by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C.:

Resolved, That this Grand Division refund to Bro. W. B. Moore, of Div. No. 60, the amount paid as grand dues for the year ending Sept. 30, 1878.

Moved by Bro. Ketchum, 47, that Resolution No. 12 be laid on the table. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Bro. C. S. Wheaton be appointed to address visiting gentlemen, Friday, Oct. 4.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, to amend by striking out "C. S. Wheaton" and inserting "J. W. Boyles."

Motion to amend lost.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, to amend by striking out "C. S. Wheaton" and inserting "C. W. Everts."

Motion to amend lost.

Moved by Bro. Best, 57, to amend by striking out "C. S. Wheaton" and inserting "J. B. Morford."

Motion to amend lost.

Original motion carried, *unanimously*.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Bro. McGeehon have permission to exhibit a patent car coupler Friday afternoon. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Bro. Everts have permission to exhibit his initiating * * * to this Grand Division. Motion carried.

Under "Call of Divisions" the following resolutions were offered and referred as noted:

Resolution No. 13, by Bro. Van. Vleit, 12—Parts relating to Constitution referred to a Committee on Constitution and By-Laws: parts relating to Finance referred to Committee on Finance.

Resolution No. 14, by Bro. Boyles, 19.—To Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 15, by Bro. Everts, 32. —To Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 16, by Bro. Everts, 32. —To Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 17, by Bro. Everts, 32. —To Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 18, by Bro. Everts, 32. —To Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 19, by Bro. Davidson, 37. —To Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 20, by Bro. Carver, 38. —To Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 21, by Bro. Carver, 38. —To Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 22, by Bro. Carver, 38. —To Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 23, by Bro. Carver, 38. —To Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 24, by Bro. Carver, 38 :

Resolved, That the form of traveling card now in use by this order be changed so as to correspond in size as near as possible to the annual passes used by railroad companies, and printed in dark ink.

Moved by Bro. Stanchfield, A. G. C. C., that rules be suspended, and resolution No. 24 adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 25, by Bro. Carver 38 :

Resolved, That there be suitable badges provided for the members of the Grand Division, one for each delegate, with the number of his division inscribed thereon; this is to be kept in the division bearing the number on the badge, and to be furnished to the delegate to the Grand Division at the proper time, the same to be charged to the respective divisions.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that rules be suspended and resolution No. 25 adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 26, by Bro. Aechternacht, 55, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 27, by Bro. Daniels, 58, referred to same.

Resolution No. 28, by Bro. Chapman, 2, referred to same.

Bro. Wheaton, 9, presented bills of the Frasier House against Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Humphrey, and the correspondence relating thereto.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that bills and correspondence be referred to Committee on Finance. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Long, G. S. and T., that cards of invitation submitted by Bro. Morford, 54, chairman of Committee on Invitations, be approved. Motion carried.

Grand Division closed at 6:15 P. M.

THIRD DAY.—MORNING.

OCTOBER 3, 1878

Grand Division opened at 9:30 A. M., by G. C. C. Collins, and declared ready for business.

Resolution No. 29, by Bro. Davidson, 37.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that Resolution No. 29 be laid on the table. Motion lost. Resolution referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 30, by Bro. Long, 14. To Committee on Finance.

Resolution No. 31, by Bro. Davidson, 37.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that Resolution 31 be laid on the table. Motion carried.

Resolution No. 32, by Bro. Carver, 38. To Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 33, by Bro. Daniels, 58. To Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 34, by Bro. Farra, 17. To Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Moved by Bro. Long, G. S. and T., that a Committee on Insurance, consisting of three members, be appointed. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed Bros. Levi Greer, 42, M. Long, 14, and I. F. Davidson, 37, as such committee.

Resolution 35, by Bro. Everts, 32:

Resolved, That all matter intended for the Constitution shall be placed in the hands of the committee by 4:30 this P. M.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Resolution No. 35 be adopted. Motion carried.

Report of Special Committee on the report of the G. S. and T., presented by Bro. Hodges, 20, chairman, as follows:

CHICAGO, ILL., Oct. 3, 1878.

Bro. G. C. C. and Members of the Grand Division:

We, a special committee appointed to examine the report of Grand Secretary and Treasurer, respectfully recommend that said report be referred to Committee on Finance.

[Signed,]

I. N. HODGES,
W. H. BERKHEIMER,
C. F. VAN VLEIT,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that report be received. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that a committee of three be appointed to draft resolutions of respect to the memory of the late Bro. F. H. Bellows, of Marshall Division, No. 4. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed as such committee Bros. Stanchfield, A. G. C. C., Boyles, 19, and Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C.

Communication from Mr. E. H. Talbott, Manager of *The Railway Age*, read by G. S., as follows:

OFFICE OF "THE RAILWAY AGE," CHICAGO, Oct. 3, 1878.

WM. L. COLLINS, G. C. C., Conductors' Brotherhood:

Dear Sir—I desire through you to tender to the Conductors' Brotherhood the free use of the columns of *The Railway Age* for the publication of all calls, proceedings, resolutions, orders, and other official matter pertaining to your organization, and to say that we shall at all times take great pleasure in advancing in every possible way its interests and the interests of its members.

Very truly,

E. H. TALBOTT,

President and Manager.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that communication be received, placed on file, and committee of three be appointed to draft card of thanks under seal of Grand Division. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed as such committee, Bros. Wheaton, 9, Ketchum, 47, and Rosencranz, 52.

Resolution No. 36, by Bro. Davidson, 37:

Resolved, That all P. G. C. C.'s in good standing shall be members of the Grand Division, with all the rights and privileges of the Grand Division, or any Grand Officer, except that they shall defray their own expenses.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton that Resolution No. 36 be adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution No. 37, by Bro. Long, G. S. and T.:

Resolved, That the G. S. and T. be instructed to furnish such information as is of public interest to the reporters of the press.

Motion by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that Resolution No. 37 be adopted. Motion carried.

Bro. Herman, 35, presented to the Grand Division a note given by Bro. J. Ward Boyles, when Chairman of the Executive Committee, to I. N. Pardee, for one hundred and forty dollars, and asked that action be taken thereon.

The reading of that part of the report of the Executive Committee which refers to notes given by Bro. Boyles was called for by Bro. Davidson, 37.

Extract from report read by G. S. and T.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that note of Bro. Boyles and papers relating thereto be referred to Committee on Finance.

A lengthy debate ensuing, it was moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that the previous question now be put. Motion carried.

Motion to refer note and papers to Committee on Finance was lost.

Resolution No. 38, by Bro. Daniels, 58:

Resolved, That this Grand Division is not responsible for the note given by Bro. J. Ward Boyles to I. N. Pardee, and that said note and papers relating thereto should not come before this Grand Division.

Moved by Bro. Whissen, G. Sr. C. of C., that rules be suspended and Resolution No. 38 acted on. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that Resolution No. 38 be adopted.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that rules be suspended and time of closing extended until 1 P. M. Motion lost.

Moved by Bro. Daniels, 58, that question on adoption of Resolution No. 38 be made the special order for the opening hour this P. M. Motion carried.

Grand Division closed at 12:30 P. M.

THIRD DAY.—AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened by A. G. C. C. Stanchfield, at 2:15 P. M., and declared ready for business, and pursuant to special order resumed discussion on motion to adopt Resolution 38.

Resolution 39, by Bro. Wheaton, 9, as substitute for Resolution 38:

WHEREAS, A note has been presented to this Grand Division, bearing the signature of Bro. J. W. Boyles, Chairman of the Executive Committee, that was given by him as Chairman of said Committee, and

WHEREAS, The report of the Executive Committee of last year, of which Bro. J. Ward Boyles was Chairman, does not mention the fact of this note being given; therefore, be it

Resolved, That Bro. J. Ward Boyles is in a high degree censurable in not presenting said fact to the Grand Division at the last annual session, and be it ordered by this Grand Division that said note be paid by Bro. Boyles, and the Grand Secretary and Treasurer be and is hereby ordered to withhold the sum of \$158.88, on Mr. Boyles' account with this Grand Division, until he presents the cancelled note to the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, and if said cancelled note is not presented within one hundred days from this date the \$158.88 that is withheld shall become the property of this Grand Division.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Resolution 39 be substituted for Resolution 38 and adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 40, by Bro. Everts, 32, referred to Committee on Insurance.

Resolution 41, by Bro. Davidson, 37, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution 42, by Bro. Ketchum, 47, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution 43, by Bro. Ketchum, 47, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution 44, by Bro. Wilson, 49, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution 45, by Bro. Rosencranz, 52, referred to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution 46, by Bro. Stanchfield, A. G. C. C.:

Resolved, That the G. S. and T. be and is hereby instructed to make out and send to all Grand Officers a credential as such, when they do not attend the Grand Division as delegates.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, that rules be suspended and Resolution 46 adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 21 reported back to Grand Division without recommendation, by Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that Resolution 21 be laid on the table. Motion carried.

Communication from Collins Div., No. 5, read by Bro. Boyles, 19, enclosing bills for express charges paid by them on magazine, amounting to \$5.60.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Collins Div., No. 5, be given credit of \$5.60 on magazine account. Motion lost.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that bills be referred to Finance Committee. Motion carried.

Bro. Davidson, 37, G. O. S., asked to be excused from attendance on Grand Division to morrow, Oct. 4.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that request of Bro. Davidson be granted. Motion carried.

Resolution 47, by Bro. Whissen, G. Sr. C. of C.:

Resolved, That any brother in good standing who has served four consecutive sessions of the Grand Division, shall be entitled to a seat therein, and to all the privileges of other members thereof.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that rules be suspended and Resolution 47 adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 48, by Bro. Best, 57.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that Resolution 48 be laid on the table. Motion carried.

Resolution 49, by Bro. Boyles, 19:

Resolved, That the proposition to establish a home for sick, injured, disabled and superannuated railway employees, as proposed in *The Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine*, be endorsed by this Grand Division.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that Resolution No. 49 be adopted.

Motion carried *unanimously*.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that all resolutions pertaining to insurance be presented by 12 M., to-morrow, Oct. 4. Motion carried.

Resolution 50, by Bro. Greer, 42:

Resolved, That this Grand Division proffer a vote of thanks to Bro. Boyles for the able and kindly manner in which he has conducted the project of establishing a home for disabled railway employes.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Resolution 50 be adopted.

Motion carried unanimously.

Grand Division closed at 6 P. M.

FOURTH DAY.—MORNING.

OCTOBER 4, 1878.

Grand Division opened at 9:30 A.M., and declared ready for business by G. C. C. Collins.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that any brother knowing of any drunkenness on the part of Grand Officers or delegates during this session of the Grand Division be requested to report the same.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, to amend by striking out the words, "during this session of the Grand Division," and insert, "during the past year."

Motion to amend lost.

Original motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that the invitation of Mr. McVicker, to this Grand Division, to attend his theatre in a body, be accepted, and thanks returned under seal of the Grand Division. Motion carried.

Communication from Pyramid Div., No. 56, read by Bro. Boyles, 19.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that it be received and placed on file. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that preliminary report of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws be read. Motion carried.*

Resolution 51, by Bro. Chapman, 2 :

Resolved, That the new Constitution be read by sections, and adopted as read.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that Resolution 51 be adopted. Motion lost.

Resolution 52, by Bro. Daniels, 58 :

Resolved, That the new Constitution and By-Laws reported by Committee, be read by sections and acted upon as read.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that Resolution 52 be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 53, by Bro. Boyles, 19 :

*For report see New Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolved, That we now resolve ourselves into a Committee of the Whole on the new Constitution and By-Laws, with Bro. Morford, 54, in the chair.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Resolution 53 be adopted. Motion carried.

CONSTITUTION.

Section 1, Article 1 read.

Moved by Bro. Collins, G. C. C., that Section 1 be adopted as read.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that Sec. 1 be amended as follows: Strike out the words "United Association of Railway Conductors," and insert "Order of Railway Conductors," also add, "provided this section shall not invalidate seals now in use until the 1st of September, 1879. The new name to take effect Jan. 1, 1879." Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Daniels, 58, that Sec. 1 be adopted as amended. Motion carried.

Section 2, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that Sec. 2 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Sec. 3, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that Sec. 3 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 4, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Sec. 4 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 5, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that Sec. 5 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 1, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Collins, G. C. C., that Sec. 1 be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 2, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Collins, G. C. C., to amend by striking out the words, "where ever the Order has been established." Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Long, G. S. and T., to amend by striking out the words, "when the Grand Division is not in session." Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that section be adopted as amended. Motion carried.

Section 3, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 4, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Kimball, Chairman Executive Committee, to amend as follows: insert the word "all" between "from" and "other." Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Best, 57, that Section be adopted as amended. Motion carried.

Section 5, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 6, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 7, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Kimball, Chairman Executive Committee, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 8, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 9, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Banks, 35, that consideration of Sec. 9 be made the special order for the opening hour this P. M., and every delegate be allowed to speak five minutes only. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Collins, G. C. C., that this Committee of the Whole now rise and report progress. Motion carried.

G. C. C. Collins resumed the chair and called the Grand Division to order.

Bro. Morford, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, reported progress made in the business assigned to that committee.

Communication from J. H. Haverly and McKee Rankin read, inviting members of the Grand Division and their ladies to attend Haverly's Theatre this evening.

Moved by Bro. Stanchfield, A. G. C. C., that invitation be accepted and committee of one appointed to return thanks. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., as such committee.

G. D. closed at 12:30 P. M.

FOURTH DAY.—AFTERNOON.

G. D. opened at 2:15 P. M., by P. G. C. C. Hodges, and declared ready for business.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that we go into Committee of the Whole on the new Constitution and By-Laws, with Bro. Morford, 54, in the chair. Motion carried.

Committee of the Whole resumed consideration of Sec. 9, Article 2, pursuant to closing order.

After some discussion—the time appointed for receiving visitors having arrived—it was moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that the Committee now rise and report progress. Motion carried.

G. C. C. Collins resumed the chair and called the G. D. to order.

Bro. Morford, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, reported progress made in the business assigned to that Committee.

Moved by Bro. Morford, 54, that a recess be now declared and visitors received.

Motion carried and recess declared at 2:45 P. M. by G. C. C. Collins.

Bro. Kilpatrick, 1, introduced members of the press, railway officers and others, who were welcomed in the name of the G. D., by G. C. C. Collins.

Bro. C. S. Wheaton, 9, then delivered an address explaining the principles of the Order, which was responded to by Mr. E. H. Talbott, of *The Railway Age*.

Bro. W. Kilpatrick, 1, then returned to citizens of Chicago, through the representative visitors, thanks for the many favors extended to this Grand Division, followed by remarks by Bros. S. Herman, 35, J. Ward Boyles, editor of *Conductors' Brotherhood Magazine*, and J. B. Morford, 54, and Messrs. Bridges, of *The Railway Age*, and Smith, of *The Railway Review*.

The visitors retired at 4:30 P.M., and Grand Division was called to order by G. C. C. Collins.

Communication from Chicago Board of Trade read, inviting members of the Grand Division to visit that body at any of its sessions.

Moved by Bro. Banks, 25, that invitation be accepted and vote of thanks returned.

Motion carried unanimously.

Communication from Hamlin's Theatre read, inviting members of the G. D., with their ladies, to attend that theatre.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that invitation be accepted, and vote of thanks returned.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that the Committee of the Whole resume its sitting. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Sec. 9, Art. 2, be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 10, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Best, 57, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 11, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 12, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. ——— that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 13, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 1, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, to amend by striking out the word "October," and inserting the word "June." Motion lost.

Moved by Bro. Ketchum, 47, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 2, article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 3, article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 4, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 5, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Best, 57, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that this committee now rise and report progress. Motion carried.

G. C. C. Collins resumed the chair and called Grand Division to order.

Bro. Morford, 54, Chairman of the Committee of the Whole, reported progress made in the business assigned to that committee.

G. D. closed at 6 P. M.

FIFTH DAY.—MORNING.

OCTOBER 5, 1878.

G. D. opened at 9:15 A. M., by G. C. C. Collins, and declared ready for business.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that we go into Committee of the Whole on the New Constitution and By-Laws, with Bro. J. H. Kimball in the chair. Motion carried.

Section 5, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Best, 67, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 7, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 1, Article 4, read.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 2, Article 4, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 3, Article 4, read.

Moved by Bro. Best, 57, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 4, Article 4, read.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 5, Article 4, read.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 1, Article 5, read.

Moved by Bro. Best, 57, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 1, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. McGeehon, 23, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 2, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. Whissen, G. Sr. C. of C., that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

CONSTITUTION TO GOVERN SUBORDINATE DIVISIONS.

Section 1, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 2, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 3, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Aechternacht, 55, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 4, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 5, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 6, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 7, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Farra, 17, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 8, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Berkheimer, 27, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 9, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, to amend as follows: Strike out the word "adjourning," and insert the word "closing." Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Section be adopted as amended. Motion carried.

Section 10, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Van Vleit, 12, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 11, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 12, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 13, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Banks, 25, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 14, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 15, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Van Vleit, 12, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 16, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 17, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 18, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 1, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Banks, 25, to amend as follows: Strike out the words "in active service on a railroad," and add the words "an actual conductor or in a grade still higher." Amendment withdrawn.

Moved by Bro. Daniels, 53, to amend as follows: Insert after the word "year," the words "on one road." Motion lost.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 2, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Collins, G. C. C., that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 3, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 4, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, to amend as follows: Strike out the word "two," and insert the word "four."

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 10, that amendment be laid on the table. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that this committee now rise and report progress. Motion carried.

G. D. called to order by G. C. C. Collins.

Bro. Kimball, chairman of Committee of the Whole, reported progress made in the business assigned to that committee.

Communication from the Manager of Hooley's Theatre read, inviting ladies of members of the G. D. to attend the matinee at the theatre this P. M.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that invitation be accepted and vote of thanks returned. Motion carried.

G. D. closed at 12:30 P. M.

FIFTH DAY.—AFTERNOON.

G. D. opened at 2:00 P. M., by G. C. C. Collins and declared ready for business.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Committee of the Whole resume its sitting on the new Constitution and By-Laws. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that each member be allowed to speak but once, and only five minutes on each motion. Motion carried.

Section 5, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Collins, G. C. C., that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 6, Article 2, read.

Moved by Bro. Davidson to amend as follows: Strike out the words "vote of division," and insert the words "dispensation of the G. C. C., or his deputy." Motion lost.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, to adopt Section as read. Motion carried.

Section 7, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, to adopt Section as read. Motion carried.

Section 8, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, to adopt Section as read. Motion carried.

Section 9, Article 1, read.

Moved by Bro. Daniels, 58, to amend by adding the words, "except when both degrees are conferred at one and the same meeting." Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, to adopt Section as amended. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Long, G. S. and T., that Bro. Stanchfield be excused from further attendance. Motion carried.

Resolution 54, by Bro. Boyles, 19:

Resolved. That the thanks of this Grand Division be tendered Bro. C. A. Stanchfield for the faithful and dignified manner in which he has filled the position of Assistant Grand Chief Conductor, as also for the true brotherly character ever manifested by him.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that rules be suspended and Resolution 54 adopted. Motion carried.

Section 1, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 2, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Ketchum, 47, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 3, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 4, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 5, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 6, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Farra, 17, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 7, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Ketchum, 47, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 8, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 8, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, to amend as follows: Strike out the words "using their own discretion in regard to collecting," and insert "requiring the payment of." Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Berkheimer, 27, that Section be adopted as amended. Motion carried.

Section 10, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 11, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 12, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 13, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, to amend as follows: Strike out all after the words "annual report." Motion lost.

Moved by Bro. Ketchum, 47, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 14, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, to amend as follows: Strike out the word "suspended" and insert the word "expelled." Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Section be adopted as amended. Motion carried.

Section 15, Article 3, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that this committee now rise and report progress. Motion carried.

G. D. called to order by G. C. C. Collins.

Bro. Kimball, Chairman of Committee of the Whole, reported progress made in the business assigned to that committee.

Moved by Bro. Long, G. S. and T., that the request of Bros. Herman and Aechternacht for leave of absence be granted. Motion carried.

Communication from J. Charlton, General Passenger and Ticket Agent C. & A. Ry. Co., read as follows:

CHICAGO, Oct. 3, 1878.

MESSRS. WM. KILPATRICK, JNO. B. MORFORD, JNO. R. SANDY:

Gentlemen—I am favored with your invitation to be present at your meeting to-morrow. I regret very much that prior engagements preclude me from availing myself of your kind invitation. I feel honored by it and would have been very glad to have been present.

I wish you every success in your undertakings, and hope that your coming together will bring much good to yourselves and others.

Yours faithfully,

J. CHARLTON.

Moved by Bro. Long that communication of Mr. Charlton be placed on file. Motion carried.

Communication from Bloomington Division, No. 19, read as follows, by Bro. Boyles, 19:

J. WARD BOYLES:

Dear Sir and Brother—The members of Div. 19 would like that you would bring the case of J. Packard before the Grand Division.

I am informed that the division that expelled him is defunct; if so, I know of no way of getting at his case except through the G. D.

We see no reason why he should not be a member of our division, but as the one to which he belonged is dead, there is no way for us to get permission to admit him except the G. D. makes a law covering such cases.

Yours in haste,

W. H. HOLMES, C. C., Div. No. 19.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that communication be laid on the table. Motion carried.

G. D. closed at 6:10 P. M.

SIXTH DAY.—MORNING.

OCTOBER 7, 1878.

Grand Division opened at 9:25 A.M., by G. C. C. Collins, and declared ready for business.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that we resolve ourselves into a Committee of the Whole on the new Constitution and By-Laws, with Bro. Boyles, 19, in the chair. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Morford, 54, that Bros. Collins, G. C. C., and McGeehon, 23, be permitted to retire with permission to return. Motion carried.

Section 1, Article 4, read.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 1, Article 5, read.

Moved by Bro. Mead, 4, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 2, Article 5, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 3, Article 5, read.

Moved by Bro. Rosencranz, 52, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 4, Article 5, read.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 5, Article 5, read.

Moved by Bro. Kilpatrick, 1, to amend as follows: Strike out all after the word "secretary." Motion lost.

Moved by Bro. Banks, 25, to amend as follows: Strike out all after the word "train." Motion lost.

Moved by Bro. Mead, 4, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 6, Article 5, read.

Moved by Bro. Ketchum, 47, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 1, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 2, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. Mead, 4, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 3, Article 6 read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 4, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 5, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 6, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 7, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 8, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 9, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 10, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. Mead, 4, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Section 11, Article 6, read.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Section be adopted as read. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Kimball that this committee now rise and report progress. Motion carried.

G. D. called to order by P. G. C. C. Hodges

Bro. Boyles, Chairman of Committee of the Whole, reported that the preliminary report of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws had been adopted by sections, and the work assigned to that committee finished.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that the report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted. Motion carried.

Report of Special Committee on address of G. C. C., read as follows:

CHICAGO, ILL., Oct. 7, 1878.

To the Grand Division, C. B.:

We, your committee appointed by your Grand Body, have examined the address of our G. C. C., and feel that this Grand Body, and our whole Order, should be proud of the sentiments expressed.

In his address we find reasons to be thankful for the evidence it gives us of the continued prosperity of our Order, coming out with honor to ourselves and to the Order. We cheerfully concur with our G. C. C. in thanking God, and congratulate ourselves that, as an Order, we have so nobly stood the test, and have gained the confidence and approbation of railroad officials and the community at large.

His suggestions and financial accounts have been referred to their respective committees.

The committee desire to say that the constitution to govern subordinate divisions, in Section 6 of Article 2, gives the subordinate division the right to confer both degrees at the same meeting by *suspending the rules* by a

majority vote of the division, and that the decision of the Grand Chief Conductor was not necessary on this point.

The committee desire that a special committee of three be appointed to report to this G. D., "the right of a brother to object to a person taking the degrees after he has been elected."

The committee desire that a special committee of three be appointed to investigate the appeal taken by Bro. M. Long, C. C. of Div. 14, from a decision of that division on the trial of Bro. J. H. Jackson, for *drunkenness*, and for having been engaged in the strike of July, 1877, and the decision given in the case by the G. C. C., with the power to procure the evidence adduced on the charges against Bro. J. H. Jackson, together with all correspondence between Bro. Radcliff, of Div. 17, and our G. C. C.

The committee respectfully ask the G. C. C. for items in reference to the case of Bro. J. E. Reiley, of Div. 4.

We most respectfully submit this report to your Grand Body.

[Signed.]

JOHN B. MORFORD,
FRED. C. FARMER,
A. B. MEAD,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that report be received and address of G. C. C. referred as recommended. Motion carried.

Resolution 55, by Bro. Wheaton, 9:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to draft a suitable address to all railway managers and superintendents, stating our aims and objects under our new name.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Resolution 55 be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 56, by Bro. Boyles:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be tendered Bros. Wheaton, Kilpatrick and Chapman, for the intelligent and perfect manner in which they have performed their duties as Special Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Resolution 56 be adopted. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed as committee, provided in Resolution 55, Bros. Wheaton, 9, Kilpatrick, 1, and Morford, 54.

Resolution 57, by Bro. Wheaton, 9:

Resolved, That inasmuch as the manager of *The Railway Age*, has tendered the free use of its columns for the publication of our proceedings, calls and other official matters emanating from our organization, and has signified his desire to advance in every possible way our best interests, we hereby

designate *The Railway Age* as the official organ of the Order of Railway Conductors; all official notices shall also be published in the *Conductors' Magazine and Repository*.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that consideration of Resolution 57 be made the special order for the opening hour this P. M. Motion carried.

G. D. closed at 12:30 P. M.

SIXTH DAY. - AFTERNOON.

G. D. opened at 2 P. M. by Bro. J. H. Kimball, G. C. C. *pro tem.*, and declared ready for business.

Pursuant to special order, consideration of Resolution 57 was resumed.

Moved by Bro. Sandy, G. Jr. C. of C., that Resolution be adopted. Lost.

G. C. C. Collins resumed the chair at 2:15 P. M.

Report of Committee on Work read as follows:

CHICAGO, Oct. 7, 1878.

To Officers and Members of the G. D.:

Your Committee on Work beg leave to report that all resolutions referred to your committee are rejected.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. STANCHFIELD,

J. S. BEST,

W. S. McCLELLAND,

Of the Committee.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that report be received. Motion carried.

Report of Committee on Insurance read.*

G. C. C. Collins deciding that only those members of the G. D. who belonged to the Insurance Association could vote on matters pertaining to insurance, the decision was appealed from by Bros. Daniels, 58, and Mead, 4. Appeal sustained.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that report of Committee on Insurance be laid on the table. Motion carried.

Report of Committee on Finance read as follows:

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the Eleventh Annual Session of the Grand Division of the Conductors' Brotherhood:

BROTHERS—Your Committee on Finance beg leave to make the following report on the subject matter submitted for our consideration:

1st. Your committee respectfully recommend that this Grand Division accept the cut on the cover of the magazine, and would further recommend

*For report see New Constitution.

the payment of the balance still due Rand, McNally & Co., which is fifty (50) dollars.

2d. Your committee respectfully recommend that the amount of five (5) dollars and ten (10) cents be placed to the credit of Div. No. 5, on their magazine account, for express charges paid by them

3d. We find the following divisions in arrears on magazine account, and respectfully recommend that the Grand Secretary notify said divisions and individual members to forward the several amounts charged against them to his office at the earliest possible moment:

Division No. 1.....	\$60 00
“ “ 5.....	94 80
“ “ 6.....	74 50
“ “ 7, ordered by D. T. Price.....	9 00
“ “ 8, “ “ A. S. Alexander.....	6 50
“ “ 11.....	21 50
“ “ 14.....	85 00
“ “ 15.....	60 75
“ “ 16, ordered by J. S. Dunn.....	8 50
“ “ 20.....	4 50
“ “ 22, ordered by D. T. Wylie.....	75 00
“ “ 25.....	24 00
“ “ 30, ordered by C. A. Stanchfield.....	15 00
“ “ 31.....	6 75
“ “ 41.....	85 00
“ “ 44.....	4 50
“ “ 52.....	1 50
From F. D. Crane.....	15 00
“ W. L. Seeley.....	75
“ W. L. Collins.....	18 50
“ J. J. Cortez.....	1 50
“ J. F. Adams.....	37 00
“ V. P. Duffa.....	7 50
Making a total of.....	<u>\$613 15</u>

4th. We also find the following divisions have overpaid their magazine account:

Division No. 24.....	\$1 20
“ “ 47.....	50
“ “ 51.....	3 00
Making a total of.....	<u>\$4 70</u>

Which amounts we recommend be placed to their credit.

5th. We find the following accounts have been presented to the G. C. C., audited and allowed by him, and an order drawn on the Grand

Treasurer for their payment, for office postage and other miscellaneous expenses of the editor's office, and would respectfully recommend that the action of the G. C. C. be sustained, and the bill allowed:

1877.			
Nov.	2.	Mailing November magazine.....	\$4 92
"	2.	Stamps.....	1 00
"	7.	Stamps.....	1 00
"	15.	Office rent.....	6 00
Dec.	8.	Expressage on magazine.....	50
"	8.	Post office drawer.....	50
"	8.	Stamps.....	50
"	10.	Postage on manuscript.....	25
"	15.	Office rent.....	6 00
"	15.	Postage wrappers.....	1 65
"	15.	Drayage.....	50
"	18.	Mailing December magazine.....	4 50
"	18.	Envelopes and paper.....	1 00
1878.			
Jan.	16.	Expenses as itemized above.....	16 50
Feb.	20.	" " ".....	15 45
Mar.	17.	" " ".....	17 98
Apr.	15.	" " ".....	13 76
May	11.	" " ".....	12 92
June	19.	" " ".....	12 86
July	23.	" " ".....	13 99
Aug.	19.	" " ".....	13 05
Sept.	16.	" " ".....	14 66
Oct.		Mailing October magazine.....	4 72
"		Drayage.....	50
"		Stamps.....	45
"		Office.....	6 00
Making a total of.....			\$171 16

6th. We find the following amounts have been received by the editor from the G. S. and T., sub-divisions and individual members:

1877.			
Oct.	6.	Cash paid at Elmira.....	\$20 00
"	17.	" " Jamestown.....	20 00
"	18.	Draft on New York.....	75 00
1878.			
Jan.	9.	Cash paid at Elmira.....	50 00
Feb.	2.	Cash from G. S. and T.....	99 85
"	27.	" " ".....	98 78
Mar.	28.	" " ".....	101 31
Apr.	24.	" " ".....	87 99

1877.			
Dec.	16.	Cash from C. W. Everts.....	\$211 50
"	16.	" W. Kilpatrick.....	60 00
1878.			
Jan.	1.	" J. C. Whissen.....	4 50
"	1.	" Division 38.....	81 00
"	14.	" J. J. Cortez.....	34 50
"	20.	" W. T. Francis.....	4 50
"	23.	" W. P. Daniels.....	7 50
"	31.	" W. T. Francis.....	3 00
Feb.	11.	" J. J. Cortez.....	4 50
"	20.	" W. P. Daniels.....	7 50
"	20.	" Division 4.....	60 00
Mar.	15.	" W. I. Allen.....	21 00
"	23.	" C. W. Everts.....	32 65
"	23.	" W. T. Francis.....	1 50
Apr.	9.	" G. Coale.....	4 50
"	9.	" F. D. Crane.....	9 00
"	9.	" C. H. Owen.....	9 00
May	5.	" Division 58.....	6 00
June	11.	" Division 56.....	6 00
"	18.	" Division 56.....	1 50
"	23.	" J. N. Fortney.....	40 00
"	25.	" J. R. Wright.....	9 00
Aug.	19.	" D. A. Piercy, advertisement.....	15 00
"	30.	" Division 58.....	1 50
Sept.	15.	" sundry subscribers.....	82 50
Apr.	20.	H. R. Cabery, advertisement.....	9 00
Sept.	31.	Tremont House.....	12 00
Total amount from all sources.....			<u>\$1,377 68</u>
Total received on magazine account by G. S. and T.....			\$1,951 50
Total amount received on magazine account by the editor..			<u>815 65</u>
Total amount received on magazine fund.....			\$2,767 15
Amount due the editor for 1877.....			\$ 250 00
"	"	" 1878.....	1,000 00
"	"	" office expenses.....	<u>171 16</u>
			\$1,421 16
Amount paid J. W. Boyles for 1877 and 1878.....			<u>1,148 68</u>
Balance due the editor.....			\$272 48

7th. In the matter of bill for board at Frasier House, at Elmira, New York, of Madames Hill and Humphrey, your committee would respectfully

recommend that the bill of $6\frac{1}{4}$ days' board, at \$2.00 per day, amounting to \$12.50 each, total, \$25.00, and of 75c. each for cards printed, total, \$1.50, in all amounting to \$26.50, be paid by the Grand Division and the amount deducted from the salary of Bro. Boyles.

Your committee would earnestly request that the editor of the magazine be ordered to produce receipts from Rand, McNally & Co., for all business transacted with them where any moneys were paid by him to them, as in the case of the November, December and January bills for publishing.

In reference to the amount of \$21.80 for fare paid and not refunded, as reported by Bro. J. W. Boyles, we would respectfully submit the matter to your Grand Body without recommendation.

8th. In the matter of the account with the G. C. C., for salary and expenses of his office for 1877-78, we find the Grand Division indebted to the G. C. C. in the sum of three hundred and four (304) dollars and thirty (30) cents.

Amount indebted to G. C. C.....	\$304 30
Amount paid on account.....	198 46
Leaving a balance of.....	<u>\$105 84</u>

And we would respectfully recommend that the itemized account as per statement be approved, and an order drawn on the Grand Treasurer to pay the balance due.

9th. In the matter of the report of the G. S. and T., your committee beg leave to report that we have carefully examined his books and carefully compared them with the itemized statement accompanying his report, and find them correct, and from his statement of the magazine account we find that there were printed for the month of

November, 1877.....	3,000 copies.
For December, 1877.....	3,000 "
" January, 1878.....	3,000 "
" February, ".....	3,000 "
" March, ".....	3,000 "
" April, ".....	3,000 "
" May, ".....	3,000 "
" June, ".....	3,000 "
" July, ".....	3,000 "
" August, ".....	2,500 "
" September, ".....	2,500 "
" October, ".....	3,000 "
Making a total of.....	<u>35,000</u> "

Making a monthly average of $2,916\frac{2}{3}$ copies; valued at subscription price at \$4,375.00. There has been subscribed for and issued to divisions and indi-

vidual members, 2,098 copies, valued at \$3,147.00, of which amount there has been collected. \$2,669 15

Collected on account of advertisements. 98 00

Making a total from all sources of. \$2,767 15

It has cost our Order for publishing and office incidentals. . \$2,809 18

Salary of editor. 1,000 00

Total expense. \$3,809 18

Total moneys received on magazine account. 2,767 15

Deficit. \$1,042 03

Due from sub-divisions. 612 15

Unpaid advertising. 137 00

Total deficit from all sources. \$1,791 18

10th. Your committee find by the report of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer that there have been 39 sub-divisions that have made their annual report, and 14 that failed to report.

Number of members in good standing as reported, 932

The G. S. and T. has received from the sub-divisions. . . . \$1,553 23

Total amount expended. 1,199 38

Total amount in Grand Treasury. \$353 85

11th. Your committee beg leave to report that they find that the last G. D. voted to Bro. W. L. Collins, G. C. C., two hundred and fifty (250) dollars; we find that he has received of the above, one hundred and fifty (150) dollars, leaving a balance of one hundred (100) dollars still due him.

We also find that the sum of two hundred and fifty (250) dollars was voted to Bro. J. C. W. Long, G. S. and T., of which one hundred and seventy-five (175) dollars has been paid, and seventy-five (75) dollars still due.

We also find that the sum of two hundred and fifty (250) dollars was voted to Bro. J. W. Boyles, of which is still due two hundred and fifty (250) dollars.

Your committee recommend the payment of the bill of W. L. Collins, G. C. C., as reported by him in his annual report, \$105.84.

Your committee recommend the payment of the bill of Bro. J. H. Kimball, Chairman of the Executive Committee, \$30.50.

Also of Bro. C. S. Wheaton, member of the Executive Committee, \$8.40.

And as member of the Committee on the New Constitution, \$10.50.

Also a committee to wait on Mr. Thos. Scott, President of the Pennsylvania Railway Co., \$6.90.

All of which your committee recommend and urge to be paid at the earliest possible time.

12th. Your committee respectfully recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 30.

13th. We would also recommend that each sub-division be required to pay one-half of the Grand Dues, to be paid on or before Jan. 1, 1879, and the remainder as soon thereafter as possible, and earnestly solicit that divisions in arrears to the Grand Division pay the same at once.

14th. Your committee would recommend the payment of the sum of two hundred and fifty (250) dollars each to the G. C. C. and G. S. and T.

We regret exceedingly that we cannot see our way clearly to recommend a larger sum. As the state of our finances is in such a sad condition, and knowing as we do the amount of labor performed by those officers, we feel that we cannot adequately repay them with a money consideration.

15th. Your committee think it to the best interests of the Order to make the Grand Dues for the ensuing year one (1) dollar per member.

All of which we most respectfully submit to your Honorable Body for your consideration.

[Signed,]

WM. KILPATRICK,
H. S. CHAPMAN,
L. R. CARVER,
SAM. HERMAN,
B. B. BROWN.

Committee on Finance.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that report of Finance Committee be accepted. Motion lost.

Moved by Bro. Banks, 25, that report be referred back to committee to insert bill of Rand, McNally & Co. Motion carried.

Report of Special Committee appointed to draft resolutions in memory of the late Bro. F. H. Bellows, of Marshall Div., No. 4, reported as follows:

WHEREAS, An allwise Providence has seen fit to call from duty our highly esteemed and beloved brother, Francis Henry Bellows, and

WHEREAS, By such a sudden decree the Conductors' Brotherhood has been deprived of one of its honored members; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of our beloved brother, Francis Henry Bellows, Worthy Past Chief Conductor of Marshall Div., No. 4, we have lost a beloved brother, whose death we deeply deplore.

Resolved, That this Grand Division extend their heartfelt sympathies to the widow and friends of our deceased brother, feeling that by the exemplary life and fraternal character of our departed brother, gives a promise of eternal rest.

[Signed,]

J. WARD BOYLES,
JNO. R. SANDY,

Of the Committee.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that report be accepted, spread on the minutes, and a copy of resolutions furnished to Mrs. Bellows. Motion carried.

The case of Bro. J. S. Best, who joined Dallas Div. No. 57, soon after being rejected by Lone Star Div., No. 53, brought before the Grand Division by himself.

Resolution 58, by Bro. Chapman, 2 :

Resolved, That Bro. J. S. Best be and is hereby fully sustained in membership by this Grand Division, and that we recommend him in full fellowship to all members of the Order.

Moved by Bro. Mead, 4, that Resolution 58 be adopted. Motion carried. Resolution 59, by Bro. Boyles, 19 :

Resolved, That when an application is refused or an applicant rejected, the division refusing to receive either shall notify the G. C. C.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Resolution 59 be adopted. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed as committees recommended by report of Committee on Address of G. C. C.: 1st. On decision by G. C. C., that a brother has a right to object to the initiation of a person even after being elected, Bros. Rosencranz, 52, Whissen, G. Sr. C. of C., and Ketchum, 47.

2d. Appeal in cases of Bros. J. H. Jackson, of Cleveland Div., No. 14, and J. B. Radcliffe, of Quincy Div. No. 17, Bros. Everts, 32, Ketchum, 47, and Mead, 4.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that a committee of three be appointed to investigate the case of Bro. J. E. Reiley, of Marshall Division, 4. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed Bros. Wheaton, 9, Farra, 17, and McClelland, 33.

Committee on decision of G. C. C. reported as follows :

CHICAGO, Oct. 7, 1878.

To the G. C. C. and Members of the G. D.:

We, your committee in the matter of the rights of a brother to object to a person taking the degrees, even after he has been elected, beg leave to report:

That a person who has been regularly proposed, balloted for and elected, has the right to receive the degrees, except said person has committed some act between the time of proposal and initiation making him ineligible, that your committee decide that a brother cannot object to said person for acts committed previous to proposal.

[Signed,]

F. ROSENCRANZ,
KETCHUM,
WHISSEN,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that report be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Kilpatrick that report of Committee on Insurance be taken from the table. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that this G. D. go into Committee of the Whole on report of Committee on Insurance, with Bro. Boyles, 19, in the chair. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that report of Committee on Insurance be considered by sections. Motion carried.

BY-LAWS.

Article 1. Adopted as read on motion of Bro. Chapman, 2.

" 2.	"	"	"	"	"
" 3.	"	"	"	"	Long, 14.
" 4.	"	"	"	"	Chapman, 2.
" 5.	"	"	"	"	"
" 6.	"	"	"	"	Long, G. S. and T.
" 7.	"	"	"	"	"
" 8.	"	"	"	"	Greer, 42.
" 9.	"	"	"	"	Chapman, 2.

" 10. Moved by Bro. Long, G. S. and T., to amend by inserting after the word "disease," "except venereal disease." Motion lost.

Article adopted as read on motion of Bro. Chapman, 2.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that committee now rise and report progress. Motion carried.

G. D. called to order by G. C. C. Collins.

Bro. Boyles, 19, Chairman Committee of the Whole, reported progress made in the business assigned to that committee.

G. D. closed at 6 P. M.

SEVENTH DAY.—MORNING.

G. D. opened at 9 A. M. by P. G. C. C. Hodges, and declared ready for business.

Moved by Bro. Kimball that this G. D. go into Committee of the Whole on report of Committee on Insurance, with Bro. Boyles, 19, in the chair. Motion carried.

Article 11. Adopted as read on motion of Bro. McGecheon, 23.

" 12.	"	"	"	"	Long, 14.
" 13.	"	"	"	"	"
" 14.	"	"	"	"	Greer, 42.
" 15.	"	"	"	"	"
" 16.	"	"	"	"	Wheaton, 9.
" 17.	"	"	"	"	"

Moved by Bro. Kimball that this committee now rise and report progress. Motion carried.

G. D. called to order by G. C. C. Collins.

Bro. Boyles, Chairman Committee of the Whole, reported that committee had adopted report of Committee on Insurance, and finished the business assigned to it.

Moved by Bro. Kimball that report of Committee of the Whole be accepted. Motion carried.

Final report of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws read. (See note on last page.)

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that report be received. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that a committee of three be appointed to draft a new charter for sub-divisions. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed Bros. Boyles, 19, Rosencranz, 52, and Ketchum, 47.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that a committee of three be appointed to draft resolutions of sympathy with yellow fever sufferers. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed Bros. Boyles, 19, Daniels, 58, and Farmer, 44.

Report of Committee on case of Bro. J. E. Reiley, of Marshall Div., No. 4, reported as follows :

We, your committee in case of J. E. Reiley, do respectfully report as follows :

We have learned that Bro. J. E. Reiley obtained on his trip east \$100.15 in money, certain railroad passes, left a good situation at Jersey City obtained for him by brothers of the Order, without any cause, and without notice to Div. 54, leaving certain board bills unpaid, and has treated brothers discourteously, and has failed to show any appreciation of the courtesies extended to him. He is also suspended in Div. No. 25 for non-payment of dues and for fraud.

[Signed,]

C. S. WHEATON,
A. R. FARRA,
W. S. McCLELLAND,
Committee.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that report be received and Div. 4 ordered to expel said Bro. J. E. Reiley. Motion carried.

Report of Committee on Appeal in case of J. B. Radcliffe, of Quincy Div., 17, read as follows :

To the Officers and Members of the Eleventh Annual Session of the Grand Division :

Your committee, appointed to investigate the difficulties existing between J. B. Radcliffe, a member of Div. 17, and the other members thereof, resulting in an appeal from the division to the G. C. C., hereby report that after carefully looking over the evidence given by both parties in said trouble, we fully sustain the action of the G. C. C., and recommend that the said J. B. Radcliffe be expelled from all rights and privileges in the Order.

[Signed,]

C. W. EVERTS,
A. B. MEAD,
F. E. KETCHUM,
Committee.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that report be adopted. Motion carried.

Report of Committee on the Appeal in the case of Bro. J. H. Jackson, of Div. 14, read as follows :

To the Officers and Members of the Eleventh Annual Session of the Grand Division :

Your committee appointed to investigate the case of J. H. Jackson, against whom charges had been preferred by Div. 14, resulting in an appeal being taken in his case by Bro. Long, most respectfully recommend that the matter be referred back to Division 14 for final settlement, and also recommend the censure of the parties for acting so hastily in the matter before giving it a more careful investigation.

We also recommend the censure of Bro. Goldrick, of Div. 20, for refusing to give testimony in the case when ordered to do so by the G. C. C.

[Signed.]

C. W. EVERTS,

A. B. MEAD,

F. E. KETCHUM,

Committee.

Resolution 60, by Bro. Herman, 35 :

Resolved, That the report of the committee be accepted, and Division 14 be ordered to expel Bro. Jackson.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Resolution 60 be adopted. Motion carried. Amendment to report of Finance Committee read as follows :

16th. Your committee would like the amounts here itemized which have been included in our report as indebtedness be considered as recommended in this section :

July 31, 2,500 magazines for August.....	\$192 50
August 31, 2,500 magazines for September....	192 50
September 30, 3,000 magazines for October.....	210 00
Total due Rand, McNally & Co.....	\$595 00

And would respectfully recommend the payment of this amount.

[Signed,]

WM. KILPATRICK,

H. S. CHAPMAN,

L. R. CARVER,

B. B. BROWN,

SAM. HERMAN,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that report of Finance Committee as amended be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that action on Resolution 57 be reconsidered. Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Resolution 57 was carried.

Resolution 61, by Bro. Wheaton, 9 :

Resolved, That all delegates be requested to advance the sum of \$5 to this Grand Division, said amount to be paid into the treasury to be used to pay the debts of the Order, and to be accredited to sub-divisions on their grand dues the ensuing year.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that Resolution 61 be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 62, by Bro. Boyles, 19 :

Resolved, That all money due from divisions for magazines be ordered paid within 60 days.

Moved by Bro. Morford, 54, that Resolution 62 be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 63, by Bro. Wheaton, 9 :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to take some action looking toward the publishing of the November and December numbers of the magazine to complete the volume of 1878.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Resolution 63 be adopted. Motion carried.

G. C. C. appointed Bros. Wheaton, 9, Boyles, 19, and Kilpatrick, 1, as such committee.

Resolution 64, by Bro. Long, G. S. and T. :

Resolved, That the bill of Rand, McNally & Co. have the preference of all bills except those recommended by the Finance Committee.

Moved by Bro. Long, G. S. and T., that Resolution 64 be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 65, by Bro. Greer, 42 :

Resolved, That a special assessment of 50 cents each be made through sub-divisions on every member of the Order, to be sent to the G. S. and T. within 30 days.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Resolution 65 be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 66, by Bro. Daniels, 58 :

Resolved, That the rules be suspended and this Grand Division continue in session until business is finished.

Moved by Bro. Daniels, 58, that Resolution 66 be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that a recess of five minutes be ordered, and that the G. C. C. forbid any delegate to leave the building. Motion carried and so ordered.

G. D. called to order with Bro. Kimball in the chair.

Final report of Committee on Credentials read.

Moved by Bro. Daniels, 58, that report be received and committee discharged. Motion carried

Resolution 67, by Bro. Ketchum, 47 :

Resolved, That Bro. Long be requested to return all back numbers of the magazine for 1878 to the G. S. and T., and receive credit on the books for all complete files.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Resolution 67 be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 68, by Bro. Everts, 32 :

WHEREAS, The noble work now being accomplished upon the different lines of railway through the agency of the railway branch of the Young Men's Christian Association, and the fact of the object of their labors being allied so closely with that of the organization which we represent, namely, that of lifting the fallen from the depths of degradation, and assist in restoring them to a higher position in the scale of manhood ; and

WHEREAS, The fundamental principles of our Order being founded upon a firm belief in the doctrines of the Christian religion ; and

WHEREAS, We believe an assurance of our hearty co-operation in the great and good work in which they are engaged, due the managers of this branch of the association ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of this organization give to the managers of the railway branch of the Young Men's Christian Association, and all members thereof, our hearty support in their labors, and encourage them (so far as is in our power) in the establishing of branches of the same upon the different lines of railways represented by our Order, thereby aiding in restoring fallen humanity to a higher and nobler life ; and

Resolved, That a copy of this preamble and resolution be furnished the Chicago papers for publication and Mr. E. D. Ingersoll, the railway visitor of the railway branch of the Young Men' Christian Association, at Cleveland, Ohio.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Resolution 68 be adopted, Motion carried.

Report of committee to draft resolution of thanks to *The Railway Age*, read, enclosing Resolution 69 :

To the Officers and Members of this Grand Division :

Your committee, appointed to draft suitable resolutions of thanks to the manager of *The Railway Age* for courtesies extended to the Order, present the following preamble and resolution :

WHEREAS, The manager of *The Railway Age* has so kindly offered us the free use of the columns of his valuable paper for our official notices and correspondence, and given as a special inducement to subscribers ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division are hereby tendered to the managers of *The Railway Age* for his kindness and many past favors, as also for kindness and favors during this session.

[Signed,]

C. S. WHEATON,
J. WARD BOYLES,
F. E. KETCHUM,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that report be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 70, by Bro. Davidson, 37 :

Resolved, That the regalia shown by delegate of No. 37 be and is hereby designated as the regulation regalia for D. D. G. C. C.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that Resolution 70 be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 71, by Bro. Davidson, 37 :

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that Resolution 71 be adopted. Motion lost.

Resolution 72, by Bro. Boyles, 19 :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be and are hereby tendered the Chicago papers for their many complimentary notices during our session.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Resolution 72 be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 73, by Bro. Boyles, 19 :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to draft thanks to all to whom we are indebted for favors.

Moved by Bro. Chapman, 2, that Resolution 73 be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 74, by Bro. Everts, 32 :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be tendered the members of Chicago Div., No. 1, for their untiring efforts to make our stay in their city pleasant and agreeable.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Resolution 74 be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that the G. S. and T. be empowered to return amounts received on assessment made on the death of Bro. J. M. Bradley, of Gate City Division, No. 22. Motion carried.

Resolution 75, by Bro. Kimball :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be tendered Bro. **M. A. Shattuck**, of Div. No. 2, for his services as a member of the **Executive Committee** during the past year, sympathizing with him in his sickness, and hoping for his speedy restoration to health.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that Resolution 75 be adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 76, by Bro. Morford, 54 :

Resolved, That this Grand Division return a vote of thanks to the managers of the Tremont House for giving delegates special rates while holding their eleventh annual convention in this city ; also for their untiring efforts to please all, and that a copy of this resolution be furnished to the managers by the Grand Secretary.

Moved by Bro. Kimball that Resolution be adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

G. C. C. appointed as committee provided for by Resolution 73, Bros. **Boyles, 19, Everts, 32, and Carver 38.**

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Bros. **Long, G. S. and T., Chapman, 2, and Davidson, 37,** be appointed **Executive Committee of the Conductors' Insurance Association.** Motion carried.

Resolution 77, by Bro. Everts, 32 :

Resolved, That the thanks of the members of the Grand Division be tendered to Bros. **Slair and Dent** for the elegant repast (of crackers) furnished us, thereby relieving us from our famishing condition.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that Resolution 77 be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 78, by Bro. Long, G. S. and T. :

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be authorized to change the ritual so far as relates to the change of the name of the Order, and nothing further.

Moved by Bro. Brown, 53, that Resolution 78 be adopted. Motion carried.

Report of committee to draft resolution of thanks read as follows, enclosing Resolution 79 :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division, and all members thereof, are due and are hereby given to the managers of the different rail-ways who so kindly tendered the free use of their lines for the transportation of delegates to and from the city of Chicago ; to **Parmelee's Omnibus Transfer Co.,** for the free transportation of members of the Order to and from the hotel and depots ; to the Chicago papers for publishing the proceedings of

the convention ; to the Chicago Board of Trade for many courtesies and to visit their rooms on exchange ; to the managers of the different theatres for furnishing free amusements to the members of our Order ; to Bro. J. H. O'Brien for his untiring efforts to make our stay in the city as pleasant and agreeable as possible, and to all other persons who have so kindly received and cared for the members of our Order while in this city, and that a copy of this resolution be published in the city papers, and a copy spread upon the records of this Grand Division.

[Signed.]

J. WARD BOYLES,
C. W. EVERTS,
L. R. CARVER.

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that report be adopted. Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution 80, by Bro. C. S. Wheaton, 9 :

Resolved, That the G. S. and T. furnish to all Grand Officers a credential to enable them to travel to and from the sessions of the Grand Divisions.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Resolution 80 be adopted. Motion carried.

Report of committee to make arrangements for publishing November and December numbers of the magazine, read as follows :

To the G. C. C., Officers and Members of the G. D. of the C. B. :

We, your committee appointed to make arrangements for publishing the two remaining numbers of the magazine, viz.: November and December, 1878, would respectfully recommend that it be continued for the two remaining numbers of the year by Bro. J. W. Boyles as editor, and that it be published at Rand, McNally & Co.'s, Chicago ; all bills for publishing, mailing and office to be paid as promptly as funds are forthcoming.

Salary of the editor @ \$60 per month.....	\$120 00
Office rent @ \$6 per month.....	12 00
Postage and mailing @ \$5 per month.....	10 00
Postage.....	8 00
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	\$150 00
Number of copies to be 2,500, at a cost of \$192.50 per month.	285 00
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	\$535 00

A copy of this to be given to Bro. Boyles, and a copy placed on file in the office of the G. S. and T. All of which is respectfully submitted.

[Signed.]

C. S. WHEATON,
J. WARD BOYLES,
WM. KILPATRICK,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that report be adopted. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that we accept the invitation extended to us by the Railway Passenger and Freight Conductors' M. B. & A. Association to visit them, and that the Grand Secretary notify them of the acceptance. Motion carried.

Report of committee appointed to draft resolutions of sympathy with yellow fever sufferers read, enclosing Resolution 81 :

To the G. C. C. and Members of the G. D.:

We, your committee appointed to draft resolutions expressing our sympathy for the afflicted people of the South, caused by the scourge of yellow fever, respectfully report the following :

Resolved, That this Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors extend to the people of the southern states their most heartfelt sympathies in their affliction during the past few months, while the scourge, yellow fever, has been upon them.

The members of our Order have made cheerful donations to the amounts sent by their respective lines, and are ever willing to render such other assistance as may be required.

[Signed.]

J. WARD BOYLES,
W. P. DANIELS,
FRED. FARMER,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that report be adopted. Motion carried.

Resolution 82, by Bro. Wheaton, 9 :

Resolved, That the committee to design an appropriate charter upon completion of their labors, shall submit the result to the G. C. C., and in turn to the Executive Committee. Should they approve they shall order it used in sub-divisions.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that Resolution 82 be adopted. Motion carried.

The next order of business being the election of Grand Officers, the G. C. C. appointed Bros. Herman, 35, Farmer, 44, and Wilson, 49, as tellers. Bro. Jno. B. Morford, 54, nominated for G. C. C. by Bro. Boyles, 19.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that the G. S. and T. be instructed to cast the entire vote of the G. D. for Bro. Jno. B. Morford for G. C. C.

Motion carried unanimously.

Tellers announced 40 votes cast for Bro. Jno. B. Morford for G. C. C.

G. C. C. declared Bro. Morford duly elected to the office of G. C. C.

Bro. Wm. Kilpatrick, 1, nominated for A. G. C. C. by Bro. Wheaton, 9.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that the G. S. and T. be instructed to cast the entire vote of the Grand Division for Bro. Wm. Kilpatrick. Motion carried.

Tellers announced 40 votes cast for Bro. Kilpatrick.

G. C. C. declared Bro. Kilpatrick duly elected to the office of A. G. C. C.

Nominations for G. S. and T., as follows ;

Bro. Wm. P. Daniels, 58, nominated by Bro. Whissen, G. Sr. C. of C. ;
Bro. C. S. Wheaton, 9, nominated by Bro. Herman, 35.

A ballot being taken, the tellers announced :

18 votes cast for Bro. Wheaton.
22 " " Daniels.

G. C. C. declared Bro. Daniels duly elected to the office of G. S. and T.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that the election be made unanimous.
Motion carried.

Nominations for G. Sr. C. of C., as follows :

Bro. J. C. Whissen, 17, nominated by Bro. Sandy, 1 ; Bro. I. F. Davidson, 37, nominated by Bro. Long, 14 ; Bro. H. S. Chapman, 2, nominated by Bro. Wheaton, 9.

A ballot being taken, the tellers announced :

15 votes cast for Bro. J. C. Whissen.
6 " " I. F. Davidson.
19 " " H. S. Chapman.

No candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast, the G. C. C. ordered a second ballot.

The tellers announced :

16 votes cast for Bro. J. C. Whissen.
24 " " H. S. Chapman.

The G. C. C. declares Bro. H. S. Chapman duly elected to the office of G. Sr. C. of C.

Moved by Bro. Greer, 42, that the election be made unanimous. Motion carried.

Nominations for G. Jr. C. of C. :

Bro. F. E. Ketchum, 47, nominated by Bro. Collius, G. C. C.

Bro. L. R. Carver, 38, nominated by Bro. Wheaton, 9.

Bro. J. R. Sandy, 1, nominated by Bro. Banks, 25.

Bro. W. B. Moore, 60, nominated by Bro. Boyles, 19.

A ballot being taken, the tellers announced :

17 votes cast for Bro. Ketchum.
15 " " Carver.
2 " " Sandy.
7 " " Moore.

No candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast, the G. C. C. ordered a second ballot.

The tellers announced :

22 votes cast for Bro. Ketchum.
18 " " Carver.

The G. C. C. declared Bro. F. E. Ketchum duly elected to the office of G. Jr. C. of C.

Moved by Bro. Sandy that the election be made unanimous. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Collins that rules be suspended and Bro. Kilpatrick, A. G. C. C. elect, installed. Motion carried.

Bro. Whissen, G. Sr. C. of C., then presented Bro. Kilpatrick, who was regularly installed as A. G. C. C. by Bro. I. N. Hodges, P. G. C. C.

Nominations for G. I. S.:

Bro. L. R. Carver, 38, nominated by Wheaton, 9.

Bro. C. Banks, 25, nominated by Bro. Sandy, 1.

Bro. Levi Greer, 42, nominated by Bro. Hodges, 20.

Bro. I. F. Davidson, 37, nominated by Bro. J. C. W. Long, G. S. and T.

A ballot being taken, the tellers announced :

19 votes cast for Bro. L. R. Carver.
1 " " C. Banks.
6 " " Levi Greer.
18 " " I. F. Davidson.

No candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast, the G. C. C. ordered a second ballot.

The tellers announced :

21 votes cast for Bro. L. R. Carver.
18 " " I. F. Davidson.

The G. C. C. declared Bro. Carver duly elected to the office of G. I. S.

Moved by Bro. Davidson, 37, that the election be made unanimous. Motion carried.

Nominations for G. O. S.:

Bro. M. Long, 14, nominated by Bro. Davidson, 37.

Bro. C. S. Wheaton, 9, nominated by Bro. Long, G. S. and T.

Bro. J. S. Best, 57, nominated by Bro. Morford, 54.

Bro. B. B. Brown, 53, nominated by Bro. Chapman, 2.

Bro. W. S. McClelland, 33, nominated by Bro. Wheaton, 9.

A ballot being taken, the teller announced :

16 votes cast for Bro. M. Long.
3 " " C. S. Wheaton.
11 " " Jas. S. Best.
4 " " B. B. Brown.
4 " " W. S. McClelland.
1 " " S. Herman.

No candidate receiving a majority of the votes cast, the G. C. C. ordered a second ballot.

The tellers announced :

21 votes cast for Bro. M. Long.
5 " " B. B. Brown.
13 " " Jas S. Best.

The G. C. C. declared Bro. M. Long duly elected to the office of G. O. S. Moved by Bro. Best, 57, that the election be made unanimous. Motion carried.

Nominations for member of the Executive Committee :

Bro. Sam. Herman, 35, nominated by Bro. Kimball.

Bro. C. W. Everts, 32, nominated by Bro. Boyles, 19.

A ballot being taken, the tellers announced :

29 votes cast for Bro. Sam. Herman.
10 " " C. W. Everts.

The G. C. C. declared Bro. Herman duly elected a member of the Executive Committee for a term of three years.

Moved by Bro. Everts, 32, that the election be made unanimous. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that we proceed to an informal ballot to select the place of holding the next annual session of the Grand Division. Motion carried.

An informal ballot being taken, the tellers announced :

84 votes cast for New York City.
5 votes scattering.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that New York City be made the unanimous choice of this Grand Division. Motion carried.

Moved by Bro. Boyles, 19, that Bros. Davidson, 37, and McGeehon, 23, be excused from further attendance. Motion carried.

The several grand officers elect were then presented by Bro. Whissen, G. Sr. C. of C., and regularly installed in their respective offices by Bro. I. N. Hodges, P. G. C. C., as follows :

P. G. C. C., Bro. William L. Collins, of Elmira Division, No. 9 ; G. C. C., Bro. John B. Morford, of New York City Division, No. 54 ; G. S. and T., Bro. William P. Daniels, of Valley City Division, No. 58 ; G. Sr. C. of C., Bro. H. S. Chapman, of Buffalo Division, No. 2 ; G. Jr. C. of C., Bro. Frank E. Ketchum, of Waterloo Division, No. 47 ; G. I. S., Bro. L. R. Carver, of Des Moines Division, No. 38 ; G. O. S., Bro. M. Long, of Cleveland Division, No. 14 ; member of Executive Committee, Bro. Samuel Herman, of Omaha Division, No. 35.

The Grand Division was then closed in regular form, G. C. C. Morford in the chair, to remain closed until the first Tuesday in October, 1879, unless sooner specially convened.

[Attest,]

JNO. B. MORFORD, G. C. C.

W. P. DANIELS, G. S. and T.

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

GRAND DIVISION

OF THE

ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS

AT THE

TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION;

HELD IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK,

OCTOBER 7, 1879.

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WILLIAM KILPATRICK.

Assistant Grand Chief Conductor.

PROCEEDINGS.

FIRST DAY.—MORNING.

UTAH HALL,
NEW YORK CITY, Oct. 7, 1879. }

The Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors met in regular session at Utah Hall, in the city of New York, and was called to order by G. C. C., Jno. B. Morford, with the following

OFFICERS PRESENT:— Wm. L. Collins, P. G. C. C.; Jno. B. Morford, G. C. C.; Wm. Kilpatrick, A. G. C. C.; Wm. P. Daniels, G. S. and T.; Luther R. Carver, G. I. S.; Major M. Long, G. O. S.

OFFICERS ABSENT:— H. S. Chapman, G. Sr. C. of C.; Frank E. Ketchum, G. Jr. C. of C.

The Grand Chief Conductor appointed C. A. Stanchfield, G. Sr. C. of C. *pro tem*, and E. F. Verrill, G. Jr. C. of C. *pro tem*, also the following Committee on Credentials: Bros. Maxon, Hodges and Downey.

Committee on Credentials made the following preliminary report:

We your Committee on Credentials, have examined the credentials of the following named brothers, find them correct and recommend that they be admitted as members of the Grand Division: Chairman of Executive Committee, J. H. Kimball; member Executive Committee, C. S. Wheaton; member of Executive Committee, Samuel Herman; Chairman of Insurance Committee, J. C. W. Long; Permanent Member, I. N. Hodges; Permanent Member, C. A. Stanchfield.

DELEGATES.

Chicago Div., No. 1, Bro. William Kilpatrick,

Buffalo Div., No. 2, Bro. W. F. Bourne.

Marshall Div., No. 4, Bro. M. Morris.

Berkley Div., No. 6, F. McAneny.

Elmira Div., No. 9, Bro. C. A. Wood.

Lackawanna Div., No. 12, Bro. W. S. Dunn.

Cleveland Div., No. 14, Bro. W. H. Wilson.

Wellsville Div., No. 20, Bro. Louis Ohliger.

Creston Div. No. 21, Bro. C. A. Stanchfield.

St. Albans Div., No. 24, Bro. M. D. Downey.

Star Div., No. 31, Bro. C. R. Ashton.

Keystone State Div., No. 32, Bro. E. B. Hunt.

Scioto Div., No. 33, Bro. S. D. Gage.
 Omaha Div., No. 35, Bro. J. H. O'Bryan.
 Des Moines Div., No. 38, Bro. L. R. Carver.
 Wahsatch Div., No. 45, Bro. J. F. Adams.
 Moberly Div., No. 49, Bro. John Clark.
 Neversink Div., No. 52, Bro. F. Rosencranz.
 Lone Star Div., No. 53, Bro. B. B. Brown.
 Valley City Div., No. 54, Bro. A. D. Maxon.

We also find that Bro. E. F. Verrill, delegate from Silver State Division, No. 51, has a credential in proper form except that it bears the seal of the Conductors' Brotherhood.

A. D. MAXON,
 I. N. HODGES,
 M. D. DOWNEY,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that report be received. Carried.

Grand Division opened in regular form by G. C. C. Morford, and declared ready for business.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that the credential of Bro. Verrill, delegate from Silver State Div., No. 51, be accepted and Bro. Verrill admitted as a member of this G. D. Carried.

Resolution No. 1, by Bro. Wheaton, 9:

Resolved, That this G. D. be governed by the following rules: Open at 9:30 A.M., close for dinner at 12:30 P.M., open at 2:30 P.M., and close for the day at 6 P.M.

Adopted on motion of Bro. Wheaton, 9.

Resolution No. 2, by Bro. Herman, 35:

Resolved, That all resolutions brought before this body shall be reduced to writing and signed by the brother offering the same, with the number of the division of which he is a member.

Resolution No. 3, by Bro. Kimball, 52:

Resolved, That all members of the Order in the city, who are in good standing, are hereby invited to seats in this G. D. In order to obtain admission, they shall send in their cards, and the delegate from their respective divisions shall vouch for them. When properly vouched for they shall be admitted in the usual form.

Moved by Bro. Herman, 35, that Bro. A. D. Maxon be appointed to assist the G. S. and T. during the session. Carried.

The following acrostic was then read by Bro. Kimball, 52.

ACROSTIC.

BY M. E. S.

To JNO. B. MORFORD, G. C. C.
October 7th, 1879.

WELCOME TO THE CONDUCTORS.

There's kindly greeting and welcome,
Here awaiting you, *brothers*, to-day,
Each heart that salutes you will gladden,
Overflowing with joy, and will say :
Ready stand we to comfort and aid you,
Do the best in our power that we can,
Entertain you with pleasure most hearty,
Regarding as *brother* each man.

Our lives are, in the line of our calling,
Freighted heavily with danger and care ;
Roads that *seem* straight and clear to others,
Are to *us* but a pitfall and snare.
Interested for those who employ us,
Leaving self and our own out of sight,
We work for *our roads* and the traveler,
And we do it with *all our might*.

Yet we like a good time, *when we get it*,
Conductors enjoy it — *you bet !*
Old and young in the service, God bless you,
Neither business nor home-ties forget—
Duty *first*, and then, boys, be *merry*;
Use this rest from all care, and enjoy
Contentment, with relaxation
To the labors which often annoy.

Oh, Brothers ! let this reunion
Render each more active and pure.
Strengthened to do each duty,
Greatly nerved with the power to endure
Our conflict with life, remembering
Death is just around *some curve* — may be
Breathing on rail or chasm that is
Lurking for you or for me

Ere that signal whistle *down brakes !*
Switch in all the sunshine you may,
Sunshine that will *clear the track*
Through the night as well as the day.
Here, *now* we bid you welcome !
Extend hands with hearty cheer —
May all be happy who gather with us here.

Resolution No. 4, by Bro. Collins :

Resolved, That the rules be suspended and a vote of thanks tendered M. E. S. for the beautiful acrostic just read.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

G. D. closed at 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

G. D. opened at 2:30 P. M., G. C. C. Morford in the chair.

Moved by Bro. Kimball that the minutes of the proceedings of the last annual session of the G. D. as printed, be approved. Carried.

The Grand Chief Conductor presented his report as follows :

GRAND OFFICERS AND BROTHERS :— We are here assembled in Grand Division for the twelfth time, in the history of our noble Order, and I am pleased to see so large an attendance, and especially the older members of the Order, now permanent members of the Grand Division. It shows me there is a deep interest in matters with which you are identified as railway conductors. We have passed one of the busiest of years, and now, at its close, we meet to exchange brotherly greeting, compare notes and arrange for the business of the coming year.

One year ago to-day we assembled in the great city of the West, and after a laborious session and pleasant trip returned to our homes to resume our old occupations, with energy and new zeal.

At the above mentioned session, we entered upon a new life, as the "Order of Railway Conductors," re-affirming the principles we had heretofore cherished so zealously, viz.: Temperance and *total opposition* to strikes, eschewing all that is detrimental to the service of our employers.

I think railway officials begin to understand, that we mean *just what we say* in our declaration of principles. If any of you doubt the fact, I only refer you to the programme given you for the two last sessions of this Grand Division.

1st. Look at the list of railways that recognize us as *true friends*, and allow us *free* transportation, to and from our annual Grand Division.

2d. The courtesy extended us in the free use of special trains, &c., &c., for our own annual excursion. Have you ever stopped to think of these favors? If you have, you will never say that the services of worthy men are not appreciated. Taking these facts into consideration, have we not one of the strongest incentives to go forward, with the work we have advanced thus far?

We meet this year under peculiarly favorable circumstances. The increase of business must bring to the respective roads that you severally represent an increase in force of conductors, and consequently a greater field for work. See to it that this golden opportunity does not go by without the corresponding increase in members of our Order of good men,

excluding all objectionable material, and thereby protecting our employers and ourselves. Bad men not only endanger the property of their employer, but the safety of every fellow employe called upon to labor in conjunction with them.

Death has entered the ranks of our Order during the last year and removed some of our best members. Brother W. H. Moore, of Div. No. 9, and D. D. G. C. C. for the northern district of the State of New York, died Aug. 28th of typhoid fever. By this dispensation of Divine Providence, the Order has suffered an irreparable loss. Circumstances attending the death of other brothers have been particularly sad; but we leave them, trusting that the Grand Chief Conductor of the Universe endorsed their reports correct, and that they now are at rest.

I, as your Grand Chief Conductor, respectfully recommend that you request our G. S. and T. to present a statement of all the debts of the Order up to Oct. 1st, 1879, and you order a per capita assessment that shall pay off the said debt on or before January 1st, 1880.

I also recommend the consolidation of the offices of Secretary and Treasurer in sub-divisions the same as in the Grand Division.

I firmly believe that the present deputy system in vogue in our Order is not the best means of effecting a better and more thorough organization, and that many times by the appointment of bad men to the position of deputies, injure our Order almost irreparably, and believing that the following plan will inure to the benefit of, and greatly increase the number of divisions.

I therefore recommend, that on the first day of December, this year, the senior division in each State shall issue a call for a meeting of all the brothers in the State, who have attained to the degree of P. C. C., and also all brothers who shall be at the time C. C. or A. C. C. of any division in the State, and all brothers who were at the time officers in the G. D. or permanent members thereof, they, or as many of them as can do so, shall assemble in the division rooms of the said division at the time specified and be called to order by the Sr. P. C. C. of the division, who shall appoint a committee on credentials; after which said P. C. C. will appoint officers *pro tem* and open the division in due form; he shall then appoint three tellers and the division shall proceed to elect officers according to the forms laid down in the Constitution, and in all matters they shall be governed by the Constitution of subordinate divisions. Should any State elect a brother or brothers to act as organizers they shall apply to their G. C. C. for the necessary papers, and any expense to said organizer shall be paid (pro rata) by the sub-divisions in the several States. The minutes of each State division shall be properly recorded and a certified copy forwarded to the G. C. C. at once, under the seal of the division where the meeting is held. State divisions may meet monthly, or as often as in the judgment of the members is necessary, each time with the senior division, except the one with whom the previous session was held.

I further recommend that all your acts while in this session be governed

by a feeling of brotherly love, and a strict sense of the responsibility of your position, bearing in mind that the eyes of your associate brothers and the world at large are upon you ; let all your acts be governed by temperance and charity ; let economy be the study of all, and let it be said of us when years shall roll around, that our every act assisted in the success of our noble Order. All of which is respectfully submitted by

JOHN B. MORFORD, G. C. C.

During the year 1879 I have granted 27 dispensations, received 330 letters, written and copied 365 No mention is made in this report of official correspondence, of which no copies were retained, or official circulars issued.

DISPENSATIONS

During the year I have granted the following dispensations :

Nov. 1st, 1878. To Valley City Division, No. 58, to change their time of meeting from the 2d Sunday in each month at 4 P. M., to the 1st Sunday in each month at 3 P. M.

Nov. 5th, 1878. To Des Moines Division, No. 38, to change their time of meeting for the transaction of such business as might lawfully come before it from time to time, at such time as it was most convenient to a majority of its members, and to fully comply with Sec. 10, Art. 6, of the Constitution.

Nov. 8th, 1878. To Pyramid Division, No. 56, to confer both degrees upon Mr. John Crowley at the same meeting. Mr. Crowley being conductor on the Eureka and Palisade Ry., and having a long distance to travel to get his degrees, and requested Division No. 56 to be particular that Mr. Crowley was in full possession and fully understood all the signs, grips, words, etc., of the Order, before leaving the division room.

Nov. 28th, 1878. To New York City Division, No. 54, to change their time of meeting on the 2d Monday in each month from 1 o'clock P. M. to 11 o'clock A. M., in order to enable most of the members to be present, as their runs were such that but few could be present at the 1 o'clock meetings, and to hold their meetings at the Astor House instead of 300 Eighth avenue, New York City.

Nov. 30th, 1878. To Pyramid Division, No. 56, to elect and confer the 1st and 2d degrees upon Messrs. Sargent and Betts at the same meeting, and requested Division No. 56 to be particular that the above named candidates were in possession and fully understood all the signs, grips and words appertaining to the Order before they left the division room.

Dec. 2d, 1878. To Lone Star Division, No. 53, to confer the 1st and 2d degrees upon those elected who were obliged to come a long distance to get the degrees (and those only), with the same instructions as to Division No. 56, and the dispensation to stand good until the next meeting of the Grand Division.

Dec. 2d, 1878. To Bro. C. A. Stanchfield, to hold the effects of old

Division No. 30, which were held in trust by him by order of the Grand Division, at Elmira, 1877, and should Division No. 21 reorganize, to transfer the same over to that division.

Jan. 1st, 1879. To Susquehanna, No. 27, an extension of time until April 1st, to send in their half Grand dues and the 50 cents extra assessment, on account of the brothers of that division not having been paid for services for the months of September, October, November and December, they thinking that if the extension was allowed that they could be able to meet the demand on or before that time.

Jan. 15th, 1879. To Pyramid Division, No. 56, to meet when practicable and most convenient, but to hold at least one stated meeting in each month. Owing to the business on the road and the present time schedule the brothers could not get a quorum present without changing off with conductors not members of the Order.

Jan. 20th, 1879. To New York City Division, No. 54, to confer both the 1st and 2d degrees on Messrs. H. J. Tattesall and Samuel Hobson at one meeting, owing to their having to come from the Long Island Railroad, with same instructions as to Division No. 56.

Feb. 8th, 1879. To Delaware, No. 37, to hold a special meeting on Sunday, February 9th, to accept the resignation of Bro. I. F. Davidson, as Chief Conductor of that division, owing to Bro. Davidson moving to Pittsburgh, Penn.

March 1st, 1879. To Alamo Division, No. 59, to hold their meetings at such place as the brothers might designate until the completion of their new hall, on account of the parties at Texarkana increasing their rent, owing to their division building a hall of their own.

March 1st, 1879. To New York City Division, No. 54, to hold a special meeting at 11 A. M. on the 14th to confer the 1st and 2d degrees upon Messrs. Storms and Powell, conductors on the Long Island Railroad.

March 12th, 1879. To Delaware Division, No. 37, making Bro. I. F. Davidson, C. C., Past Chief Conductor, owing to Bro. Davidson being in ill health, and accepting a position as train master at Pittsburgh, Penn.

March 25th, 1879. To Bro. C. A. Stanchfield, to turn over the property he held by order of Past Grand Conductor Collins, to Creston Division, No. 21, organized on the 9th inst.

April 15th, 1879. To Susquehanna Division, No. 27, to hold a special meeting on Sunday, April 20th, and transact such business as might come up in the division.

April 15th, 1879. To Moberly Division, No. 49, to hold special meetings and transact any business at such special meetings that might come up before it, owing to its being almost impossible to transact the business of the division at the regular meetings.

April 21st, 1879. To Elmira Division, No. 9, to change their place of meeting from 109 Main street to Opera House block, Lake street.

April 21st, 1879. To Sunset Division, No. 7, authorizing them to use the

present seal without the motto, owing to an error on the part of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, or the die sinkers.

June 28th, 1879. To New York City Division, No. 54, to hold their regular meeting in June on Sunday, the 29th inst., instead of Sunday, the 22nd.

June 30th, 1879. To Moberly Division, No. 49, to hold their regular meetings at such time and place in Moberly, Mo., that would be most convenient and practicable, dispensation to stand good until January 1st, 1880.

July 7th, 1879. To Denver Division, No. 44, to hold their regular meetings at such time in Denver, Col., that would be most convenient and practicable, dispensation to stand good until Oct. 31st, 1879.

August 7th, 1879. To Collins Division, No. 5, to admit Mr. Lewis McBurney, late of defunct Iron City Division, No. 13, as a member of that division, he having been expelled from that division on account of non-payment of dues.

August 15th, 1879. To Elmira Division, No. 9, to elect one brother to both the office of secretary and treasurer.

Sept. 8th, 1879. To Buffalo Division, No. 2, to install officers elect at regular or special meeting on or before October 1st, proximo, 1879.

Sept. 30th, 1879. To New York City Division, No. 54, to hold a special meeting for the purpose of installation of officers, and appointing auditing committee for 1879.

DECISIONS.

Nov. 30th, 1878. In answer to Brother C. S. Wheaton, delegate from Division No. 9, and Major M. Long, from Division No. 14. I decided, as Grand Chief Conductor, "that if the delegates representing the two divisions, Nos. 9 and 14, made a report to the divisions of the proceedings at the last Grand Division, the report was accepted," then they had no right to propose, elect, or confer the degrees, under the name of "Conductors' Brotherhood," and must do the work under the name of "Order of Railway Conductors." (See Article 1st, Section 1st, and Article 5th, Section 2d, new Constitution.) Subject to an appeal at the next Grand Division.

Dec. 12th, 1878. In a decision given to Brother Collins asking if members, who, from sheer negligence, suffered themselves to be expelled from Division No. 3 for non-payment of dues, they could, by paying the initiation fee, become new charter members. I decided that, in order to become members of the Order again, they must pay up all indebtedness to Division No. 3 to the Grand Division, and then be restored to membership by the action of the G. C. C.

Jan. 10th, 1879. In a decision of Division No. 4, in an appeal taken in regard to Brother Simmons and Cole. (See letter book, pages 112, 113 and 114, and letters 78 and 111½.) Simmons was expelled by a majority vote in March.

Feb. 10th, 1879. I received a communication from Brother Harry Weston, Chief Conductor of Division No. 4, with the charges enclosed from

Brother B. Cole, against Brother Simmons, dated January 1st, 1879. As my decision was not rendered until January 10th, and did not reach Marshalltown until about the 15th, I at once wrote to Division No. 4 that I would withdraw my decision, and directed them to bring the charges up at the next regular meeting, and summons Brother Cole to be present, to fully comply with the Constitution, at the same time reprimand Brother Cole for not preferring the charges at the proper time. (See letter book, pages 163 and 164.

March 5th, 1879. In answer to Brother Geo. W. Lewis, of defunct Division No. 18, I decided that if he wanted to reorganize old No. 18 at Harrisburg, Pa., under a new name and charter, that they would have to pay the charter fee, \$15, and become charter members the same as any new division.

APPOINTMENTS.

Nov. 5th, 1878, I appointed all of my Deputy Grand Chief Conductors, and forwarded the name of each deputy to the *Railway Age and Conductor's Magazine* for publication.

Dec. 20th, 1878, I appointed Brothers Collins, Chapman and Whitman a committee to inquire into old Division No. 3, and to take measures to reorganize that division at Salamanca, New York, on the line of the New York, Lake Erie and Western Ry. By doing this it would take in many of the conductors running on the western division of the above road, as well as on the Rochester and State Line Ry., and enable the brothers of Division No. 32 to visit there, as that is the terminus of the Atlantic and Great Western Ry.

VISITING SUB-DIVISIONS.

April 20th, 1879, I had the pleasure of visiting Division No. 37. Had a very pleasant meeting, the railroad companies furnishing a special train between New York and Phillipsburgh, Pa., for that purpose.

Sept. 14th, 1879, I had the pleasure of visiting Neversink Division, No. 52, and installed the officers for the ensuing year.

APPROVALS, &C.

Nov. 16th, I forwarded Brother W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T., by express, a list of expelled and suspended members, since 1874 to present date, with instructions to compile them in the shape of a circular, and forward a copy to each sub-division. This was done January 1st, 1879 (see circular No. 2).

Nov. 18th, I requested Brother W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T., to forward a copy of the proceedings of the last Grand Division to Brother Kilpatrick, to have the same printed by the *Railway Age Publishing Co.*, and when completed to forward the same to the G. S. and T., fifteen hundred (1500) copies, that every brother might receive a copy and know what the business of the Grand Division was.

Nov. 20th, I wrote to Brother J. C. Whissen, D. D. G. C. C., Eastern District Ohio, to visit Brother Hodges, of Wellsville Division, No. 20, and ascertain what the trouble was, if any, with that division, as I had been advised by Brother Greer and others that the brothers were dissatisfied with their delegate's report of the proceedings at the last Grand Division, and that Brother Boyles had written them, and also other divisions, letters detrimental to the Order. Brother Whissen complied with my request by holding consultation with several of the brothers of that division, and had failed to find any trouble existing. Brother N. Champney, in a letter of January 18th, and Brother Hodges, of January 20th, also denied there being any trouble between their division and the delegate.

Dec. 3d, Brother G. Coale, D. D. G. C. C., for Western District, Penn., informed me of the closing of Division No. 11, Alleghany. That they had suspended ten brothers for non-payment of dues, that thirteen of the brothers were granted withdrawal cards, and that they had funds enough on hand to pay all indebtedness to the Grand Division, and he, Brother Coale, was in possession of all the secret paraphernalia, and on the 4th inst, I directed him to forward the same to the G. S. and T. by express.

Dec. 18th, the old case of Brother J. H. Jackson was referred to me by J. H. Archer, Secretary Division No. 14. After considering the report of the committee appointed by Brother Collins, P. G. C. C., I directed Division No. 14 to take the matter up in their division, and act in accordance with the committee's report without the motion of Brother Boyles. (See letter book, page 67.) The Jackson matter was ended on February 23d, 1879, by action of the division. He was expelled and the Secretary instructed to notify me, as G. C. C., of said action.

Dec. 26th, I approved a resolution adopted at last meeting of Division No. 38, to collect local dues quarterly in advance, and collect Grand dues on or before the 1st day of January, each year, and decided that a brother depositing a withdrawal card from any other division in Division No. 38, must pay the Grand Dues at the time of its acceptance, if he has not done so before his withdrawal; also all new members at the time of their taking the second degree, and shall take effect and be in force on and after its adoption. See letter book, page 92.

March 14th, 1879, I directed Brother W. P. Davis, D. D. G. C. C., G. Coale, Major M. Long and Fred. D. Bush, to notify the brothers of Divisions Nos. 8, 22, 34 and 43 that they had failed either to report to the G. D. for the year ending September 30th, 1878, surrender their charters, or give any reasonable excuse for not doing so, and that they should notify such divisions that unless they complied with the Constitution within sixty days from date thereof, that their charters would be surrendered to the above D. D. G. C. C., and at the expiration of sixty days be forwarded to me. (See letter book, pages 198, 199 and 200.) I wrote the different deputies to procure the property of all defunct divisions and forward the same at once to Brother W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T.

May 17th, I mailed a postal to all D. D. G. C. C., notifying them of the

organization of Sunset Division, No. 7, also of the reorganization of old No. 43, and that old No. 6 were ready to receive a new charter; also requested them all to write me as to the good and welfare of the Order.

May 20th, I wrote Brother G. Coale, D. G. C. C., Western District Penn., to try and establish a division of the Order at Harrisburgh, Pa., and that several of the conductors of the Baltimore Division of the N. C. Ry. were ready and willing to assist him in organizing a division there. Same day wrote to Brother O. Perine, D. G. C. C., for D. C. to try and organize a division of the Order at Washington City.

June 12th, I approved the Constitution and By-Laws of Division No. 37.

July 1st, I gave my personal notes to E. H. Talbot for \$183.60, balance due E. H. Talbot for printing the Constitutions, proceedings, etc., two notes \$91.80 each, payable October and November 1st, 1879.

Sept. 22th, I approved By-Laws for Moberly Division, No. 49.

Sept. 30th, I wrote to C. M. Kispagh, a member of Wyoming Division, No. 5, to forward their old charter, etc., to Brother M. O'Brien, Secretary Division No. 10, who would return it to the Grand Division by the delegate elect.

CHARTERS.

During the year I granted the following charter :

Feb. 1st, 1879. To Sunset Division, No. 7, located at Columbus, Texas. J. S. Best, D. D. G. C. C., Southern District Texas, had the pleasure of organizing on the 9th of March.

REPORTS.

EUREKA, NO. 7.

Surrendered charter, supplies sent to Bro. Daniels.

CRESTLINE, NO. 8.

Made no report for 1878.

ALLEGHANY, NO. 11.

Defunct November 30th, 1878; all supplies are in possession of Brother G. Coale, D. D. G. C. C. I ordered him to forward them to the G. S. and T. by express.

NO. 13.

Dead, and so told in Grand Division. Brother G. Coale, D. D. G. C. C., ordered by Brother Collins to take possession of all books, papers, charter, etc.

MONUMENTAL, NO. 15.

Made no report. Made report in Nov., 1878.

NEWBURGH, NO. 16.

Dead, and so told in Grand Division, property ordered forward to Bro. W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T., by J. W. Rankin, D. D. G. C. C.

PHILADELPHIA, NO. 18.

Surrendered. Brother Collins wrote Brother R. L. Harrimen, Secretary, 131 State street, West Philadelphia, to forward the property to him by express. Not done.

CRESTON, NO. 21.

Received charter about a week before Grand Division meeting in Chicago. Organized on March 9th, 1879, by Brother C. A. Stanchfield.

GATE CITY, NO. 22.

No report. Think this on account of yellow fever. Have not held a meeting in over a year. The last meeting held it was decided to break up, and Z. A. Martin, Secretary, was ordered to turn over the books and charter of Division No. 22 to Brother F. D. Bush, D. D. G. C. C., at Atlanta, Ga. This he never did. For the year 1877 the division was kept up by three or four of the members. The members ran behind in dues; they tried suspension and expelling, but it was hard work collecting, several members being taken sick. The division spent money in their behalf, and loaned one conductor \$65, and that floored them.

CALDWELL, NO. 26.

Collapsed; no supplies returned. January 23d, 1879, Brother W. P. Daniels directed Brother F. P. Van Cleaf to hold property.

AURORA, NO. 28.

Dead, and so told in Grand Division.

COLUMBIA, NO. 29.

Dead, and so told in Grand Division. Not been working this year.

NO 30.

Dead. Grand Division at Elmira granted Brother C. A. Stanchfield permission to retain the property of Division No. 30 in the hope of reorganizing, and he still holds the same. I, as G. C. C., instructed Brother Stanchfield to hold the effects of old No. 30 and transfer them over to No. 21 when reorganized.

RENOVA, NO. 34.

Gone up ; last meeting held one year ago 1st July. .

ST. JOSEPH, NO. 36.

Dead, and so told in Grand Division ; made no report for '77 or '78.

CENTRAL CITY, NO. 39.

Collapsed two years ago.

COLLEGE, NO. 40.

Not working ; delegate 1877 kept Grand dues ; surrendered charter and seal to Brother W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T. in March, 1879.

ROCKY MOUNTAIN, NO. 43.

O. K. ; reported May 1st, 1879.

LARAMIE, NO. 46.

Surrendered all but their charter to Brother Long.

KANSAS CITY, NO. 48.

Dead, and so told in Grand Division ; only held one meeting.

ST. LOUIS, NO. 50.

Dead, and so told in Grand Division : no report for two years.

THE GRAND DIVISION OF THE ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS IN ACCOUNT WITH JOHN B. MORFORD, Esq., FOR THE YEAR ENDING OCTOBER, 1879.

1878.		Dr.	Cr.
Oct.	20.	To package by mail to J. C. W. Long.....\$	12
"	28.	" envelopes for enclosing circulars.....	50
"	28.	" postage stamps.....	2 65
"	31.	" changing G. D. seal O. of Ry. C's.....	8 00
Nov.	7.	" postage stamps.....	54
"	8.	" ".....	15
"	8.	" ".....	12
"	20.	" ".....	1 00
"	23.	" ".....	72
"	28.	" ".....	15
"	30.	" ".....	1 00
Dec.	6.	" ".....	1 00
"	31.	" ".....	1 00
"	31.	" postal cards.....	1 00

1879.		Dr.	Cr.
Jan.	1. To one impression book.....	\$1 75	
"	1. " P. O. box 644, January 1st to March 31st...	4 00	
"	8. By stationery received for Division 54.....		\$4 82
"	8. To reproductive monogram.....	1 00	
"	15. " postage stamps.....	1 00	
"	28. By cash for seal for Division No. 37.....		2 50
Feb.	1. To postage stamps.....	50	
"	1. By cash recd. for charter, Div. 7, Columbus, Tex.		15 00
"	1. " " " card, M. L. Harris, old No. 3.		1 00
"	11. To postage stamps.....	1 50	
"	15. " posters for charters.....	2 75	
Mar.	5. By 50 traveling cards for Div. 54, at 3c each...		1 50
"	11. To postage stamps.....	50	
"	11. " postal cards.....	25	
"	11. By seal for Division 54.....		2 50
"	17. To postage stamps.....	55	
"	17. " 1 card plate for traveling cards.....	2 50	
April	1. " P. O. box 644, April 1st to June 30th.....	4 00	
"	11. " postage stamps.....	1 00	
"	12. By draft on 3d National Bank, 42,024.....		23 50
"	17. To postal cards.....	25	
June	15. " postage stamps.....	45	
July	1. " P. O. box 644, July 1st to October 1st.....	4 00	
"	2. By cash, money order 345, Grand dues No. 15, 1878.....		20 00
"	7. To postage stamps.....	75	
"	26. By cash received for cards J. J. Knox, old 43..		1 00
"	26. To postage stamps.....	60	
Aug.	15. " ".....	60	
"	30. " ".....	45	
Sept.	5. " ".....	54	
"	15. " ".....	69	
"	27. " ".....	1 24	
"	30. " ".....	1 00	
"	30. " P. O. lock box from Oct. 1st to Dec. 31st...	4 00	
"	30. By cash, Division No. 54, Grand dues.....		31 25
Oct.	3. To postage stamps.....	42	
"	4. " note 3 months from July 1st, due October 4th, E. H. Talbot, <i>Railway Age</i>	91 80	
"	4. " 150 tickets of invitation.....	2 50	
"	4. " 500 programmes of excursion route.....	7 00	
"	6. By cash for note.....		91 80
Totals.....		\$155 54	\$194 87

Moved by Bro. Kimball, 52, that the report of the G. C. C. be referred

to a committee of three, consisting of Bros. Herman, 35, Wood, 9, and Morris, 4. Carried.

Resolution No. 5, by Bro. Collins, 9 :

Resolved, That the committee consisting of Bros. Chapman, 2, Whitman, 2, and Collins, 9, appointed by the G. C. C. to reorganize Division No. 3, and all D. D. G. C. Conductors, who have failed to report as required by the Constitution, be censured for neglect of duty.

Moved by same that rules be suspended and resolution adopted. Carried.
Supplementary report of Committee on Credentials as follows:

We, your Committee on Credentials, have examined the credentials of the following brothers, find them correct, and recommend that they be admitted as members of this G. D.: Delaware Division, No. 37, Silas Hulshizer; Hawkeye Division, No. 41, J. N. Fortney; New York City Division, No. 54, John E. Smith.

[Signed.] MAXON,
HODGES,
DOWNEY.

Moved by Bro. Adams, 45, that report be received. Carried.

The Grand Secretary and Treasurer presented his report as follows:

G. C. C., Officers and Brethren:

In presenting to you my report as your Grand Secretary and Treasurer for the term ending with this, the twelfth session of the Grand Division, although I cannot congratulate you on a large accession of new divisions and members, I can safely do so on the present general standing of the Order, as during the year just closed, divisions have generally obeyed the law, and as a consequence thereof the "fair weather" members have, to a great extent been expelled, to the benefit not only of the respective divisions but the whole Order. Through the energetic action of the committee appointed last year for that purpose, our aims and objects have been prominently placed before every railway official in the land, and as some distrust our professions, for which, in consideration of the troubles of the past two years, they certainly are not to be blamed, it behooves us to prove to them in time to come, that we are sincere in our declaration of principles, and that they are *not* a mere cloak to cover any ulterior design, or to bolster up an organization to coerce through the medium of strikes.

Owing to the absence from home of one person who was to become my bondsman, I was delayed several days in filing said bond with the Executive Committee, and on account of severe sickness in the family of P. G. S. Long, I did not receive the books and enter upon the active duties of the office until Nov. 13th.

I immediately prepared and issued under date of Nov. 15th, two circulars, one to divisions in arrears on magazine account, in accordance with resolution No. 62 (see printed proceedings of last session, page 56), and one to

all divisions, in accordance with paragraph 13 of report of the Committee on Finance, and Resolution No. 65 (see *ibid.* pages 55 and 57).

Nov. 23, 1878, I sent to Cleveland Division, No. 14, a certified transcript of the proceedings in the appealed case of Bro. J. H. Jackson, of that division (see *ibid* page 55), and said Bro. J. H. Jackson was duly expelled, in accordance therewith, February 23rd, 1879.

Nov. 27, 1878, I received the new constitutions from the printers, and by order of the G. C. C. forwarded as fast as possible a suitable supply to each division.

Dec. 2, 1878, I sent to Wellsville Division, No. 20, a certified transcript of the proceedings in the appealed case of Bro. J. H. Jackson, of Cleveland Division, No. 24, said proceedings containing censure of Bro. Phil Goldrick, of Wellsville Division, No. 20.

Same date I sent to Quincy Division, No. 17, a certified transcript of the proceedings in the appealed case of Bro. J. B. Radcliffe, of that division (see page 55). No report of the expulsion of the said Bro. J. B. Radcliffe has been received to this date.

Same date I sent to Marshall Division, No. 4, a certified transcript of the proceedings in the original case of Bro. J. E. Reiley, of that division (see page 55), and said Bro. J. E. Reiley was duly expelled in accordance therewith Dec. 8, 1878.

Same date I sent to Mrs. F. H. Bellows, a certified transcript of the proceedings in memory of the late Bro. Francis Henry Bellows, of Marshall Division, No. 4 (see page 52).

I also on that day finished copying the minutes of the proceedings of the eleventh session, and forwarded them to Bro. Kilpatrick for publication.

January 21, 1879, I received the printed proceedings and distributed them to divisions as soon as possible thereafter.

Under the present system the G. S. is obliged to copy the minutes of the proceedings twice, once for publication and once on the record book, therefore, to insure *greater accuracy* and save one-half the labor, I would recommend the adoption of the following amendment to the Constitution as Section 2 of Article 5:

"At the close of each session of the G. D. the minutes of the proceedings of that session shall be read, corrected and approved, and after the close of the G. D. the G. S. shall prepare as soon as possible a copy of the same, which copy shall be submitted to the G. C. C., and after being approved by him shall be printed in uniform size and style, suitable for binding, as the record of proceedings of this G. D."

DELINQUENT REPORTS.

January 27, 1879, I received and placed on file the annual report of Monumental Division, No. 15, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1878, said report showing 20 members in good standing and 27 expelled. No report of the names of the expelled members or causes of expulsion has been received to this date, although repeatedly requested.

May 3d, 1879, I received and placed on file the annual report of Rocky Mountain Division, No. 43, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1878, with the Grand dues for that year and the special assessment for the present year, said report showing 14 members in good standing.

The following divisions have failed to report for the year ending Sept. 30, 1878: Crestline, No. 8, at Alliance, Ohio; Gate City, No. 22, at Atlanta, Georgia; Renova, No. 34, at Renova, Pa.

NEW DIVISIONS.

There have been organized during the year two new divisions as follows: Sunset, No. 7, at Columbus, Texas, March 9th, 1878, by Bro. Jas. S. Best, with 14 charter members; Creston, No. 21, at Creston, Iowa, March 13th, by Bro. C. A. Stanchfield, with 18 charter members.

DEFUNCT DIVISIONS.

By direction of the G. C. C. I have during the year endeavored to collect charters and property of defunct divisions, with the following result:

I have received charter and property of Hornellsville, No. 3, from Brother W. L. Collins; Columbia, No. 29, from Brother Smith Swords; St. Joseph, No. 36, from Brother Geo. P. Smith; College City, No. 40, from Brother E. S. Kimball; and the rituals of Aurora, No. 28, from Brother Wm. Kilpatrick.

The charter and property of Iron City, No. 12, is held by Bro. G. Coale; Grafton, No. 16, is held by Brother J. W. Rankin; Philadelphia, No. 18, is held by Brother G. W. Lewis; Caldwell, No. 26, is held by Brother F. P. Van Cleaf; Kansas City, No. 48, is held by E. O. Griffin.

I have received from Brother Rankin \$3.00 in money on account of Division No. 16, but nothing else.

Brothers Coale, Rankin, Lewis, Van Cleaf and Griffin have each been directed by the G. C. C. to forward the property held by them to this office, but have failed to do so.

The Treasurer of St. Joseph Division, No. 36, ran away last February with the funds of that division, amounting as near as I can learn, to about \$95, which amount, of course, belongs to this G. D.

Of the charters and property of divisions, Nos. 28, 39 and 50 (except the rituals of 28), I can learn nothing whatever.

So far as I can learn not one of the many defunct divisions have fully complied with Section 7, Article 6 of the Constitution to govern subordinate divisions.

MEMBERSHIP OF DEFUNCT DIVISIONS.

Three divisions have made a statement of the members in good standing at the time of closing, as follows: Caldwell, No. 26, reports 5 names; St. Joseph, No. 36, reports 14 names; College City, No. 44, reports 26 names.

These statements have only been received during the past year in re-

sponse to requests from me; from other defunct divisions I have been unable to obtain a statement. There are on the roll about 150 names of members of defunct divisions, whose standing no one can tell, except perhaps a few who are personally acquainted with the facts.

In connection herewith I would recommend that Section 3, Article 6 of the Constitution to govern sub-divisions be so amended as to limit the duration of G. D. cards to three months instead of six, and also the time in which members of defunct divisions may procure such cards, to three months from the date of the surrender or arrest of charter, and providing that after that time expires they will be no longer members of the Order, and can only be admitted to any division as provided in Section 1, Article 4 of the Constitution, or Sections 1, 2 and 3, Article 4 of the Constitution to govern sub-divisions, to take effect January 1st, 1890.

Under our present law members of defunct divisions may remain in good standing and entitled to receive at least a part of the benefits for an unlimited time without paying dues, and at the end of perhaps ten years by the payment of one dollar for a G. D. card, be placed on an equality with those who have paid dues regularly during all that time.

I would also recommend that Section 2, Article 5 of the Constitution to govern sub-divisions be repealed and the following adopted as a substitute:

"All withdrawal cards shall expire three months after date of issue and after the expiration of such cards persons holding them will be no longer members of the Order and can only be admitted to any division as provided in Section 1, Article 4 of the Constitution, or Sections 1, 2 and 3, Article 4 of the Constitution to govern sub-divisions."

My reasons are: First, I find in the division of which I have had the honor of being Chief, it is impossible to collect dues from a member who has taken a withdrawal card. Second, in several cases the failure of divisions, when withdrawal cards are deposited with them, to report the fact to the division issuing the same, has caused brothers to be *expelled* in one division while remaining in good standing in another. Third, the adoption of this substitute will remedy the existing evil of members holding withdrawal cards from divisions which have become defunct since issuing the same, remaining in good standing without contributing to the support of the Order.

CHARTERS SURRENDERED.

Dec. 1st, 1878, Alleghany Division, No. 11, surrendered its charter to Brother G. Coale, D. G. C. C. for the western district of Pennsylvania, closing with 15 members in good standing, most of whom took withdrawal cards.

Brother Coale has been directed by the G. C. C. to forward to this office charter and property of this division, also of Division 13, which is held by him, but has failed to do so.

About Sept. 1st, Waterloo Division, No. 47, surrendered its charter to Brother Geo. C. Newton, closing with 20 members in good standing. Charter and property of this division are yet held by Brother Newton.

REGISTER OF MEMBERS.

Section 4, Article 2 of the Constitution, requires the G. S. to keep a correct list of all members of sub-divisions. In accordance therewith and with the approval of the G. C. C., I procured at a cost of \$12.50 a suitable register for such list, which contains space for about 1,500 names. Feb. 9th I issued Circular No. 5, requesting division secretaries to forward me a complete list of the membership of their respective divisions, with all particulars. The secretaries of the following divisions have not, as yet, responded thereto :

2, 4, 5, 6, 12, 17, 19, 20, 23, 24, 27, 33, 43, 44, 47, 51, 52, 55 and 57.

This register now contains the name of every *past* and present member of the Order, with their present standing and dates of every initiation, promotion, withdrawal, suspension, expulsion and death, so far as I have been able to learn the same.

That this roll may be at *all times* correct, I would request your honorable body to require division secretaries to report to the G. S. immediately after their occurrence, all initiations, promotions, admissions by card and deaths, giving dates and all particulars.

I present herewith, for your inspection, a fac-simile copy of pages 1, 7, 28 and 69 of this Register; I may also add that this book has been examined by Brother S. Herman of the Executive Committee.

RECUTTING SEALS.

Early in the year, I made arrangements with Messrs. S. D. Childs, Jr., & Co., to recut seals for \$2 and furnish new ones for \$3 each. I requested the G. C. C., if he approved of the plan, to notify divisions through the district deputies, that I would have their seals recut for \$2.50 and furnish new ones for \$4 each. During the year I have received several to be recut, making a profit to the Grand Treasury of 50 cents on each one. I also sent a seal to Division No. 7, having recut for that purpose the seal returned by defunct Division No. 7.

In reply to a question by P. G. S. Long, at the last session of the G. D., G. C. C. Collins directed that old forms of blanks, constitutions, etc., be destroyed and the seals returned by defunct Divisions Nos. 7 and 46, be used to the best advantage. This order being informal, and not before the G. D., could not be made a matter of record; I would therefore ask that my action in using said seal be sustained by your honorable body, and I think it would be best to require defunct divisions to forward their property to the G. T., and to give him authority to use such property to the best advantage for the benefit of the Grand Treasury, without waiting for special action of the G. D., as is required by Section 7, Article 6 of Constitution to govern sub-divisions.

There are now in my hands 4 old seals and a few blank books which have been used but little and which might be utilized some time.

PRINTING.

The expense of printing for this office has been unusually large during the year, owing to the change in our name making it necessary, with few exceptions, to have new blanks throughout. There are, however, enough on hand to last for some time to come, so that during the coming year nothing will be needed except G. D. cards, withdrawal cards, and perhaps some certificates of membership.

I have had but three calls for membership certificates during the year.

In case it is thought best to have them printed hereafter I would recommend a larger size, at least 12x16 inches, and a much better quality of work, a paper similar to that on which the present credentials are printed, and also to contain a blank form for the G. S. to attest the standing of the division issuing, the sum of 50 cents to be paid into the Grand Treasury for each such attestation.

Such a form can be procured for about \$25 per thousand, and will make an ornament worthy to hang in any parlor in the land.

In all cases where it has been possible I have *written* the circulars issued, thus saving a small item in the expense of printing.

I think it would be economy to procure for the use of the G. S. a Grist writing apparatus. With this all circulars issued by any Grand Officer or Committee can be printed by the G. S. at a merely nominal cost, and are only subject to the same postage as ordinary printing. The plain blank forms, such as petitions and notices of dues and meetings, can be printed by this process also.

INSURANCE.

Of the insurance there is but little to say, there seeming to be but little interest taken in it by the brethren. I have issued during the year five certificates, one being to myself, although, as many doubtless remember, I was in favor of discontinuing the insurance last year. Since it was finally decided to continue it, I propose to do my best to support it. As soon as the new certificates were ready I wrote to Brother J. C. W. Long that if the Committee on Insurance, of which he is Chairman, so directed I would notify members that upon receipt of their old certificates with stamps to pay return postage, I would issue a duplicate on the new form.

Their reply has not yet been received.

The following query suggests itself: Would it not be beneficial to provide a way to transfer insurance from one division to another, in case of withdrawing to join elsewhere; also for members of defunct divisions to do the same.

AMOUNTS DUE FOR ADVERTISING.

Of the amounts due for advertising I regret to say I have been unable to collect one cent.

The Tremont House has changed hands, and I have been unable to find the former proprietor.

Mr. H. R. Cabery claims that he paid in full.

The Grand Central Hotel and J. E. Markel & Co., of Omaha, Neb., say that the advertisements were inserted in return for favors from them to the Order.

The American House, Denver, Colorado, claims to have paid up in full for the time ordered.

The Cheyenne Eating House, Cheyenne, W. T., not heard from.

AMOUNTS DUE FOR MAGAZINES.

In response to the circular of November 15th, the following have paid the balance due on their magazine accounts.

W. L. Seeley.....	\$0 75
J. S. Dunn, for Division 16.....	8 50
J. J. Cortez.....	1 50
J. F. Adams.....	25 00
G. Coale, for Division 11.....	21 00
E. B. Carr, " " 25.....	9 00
M. Long " " 14.....	7 50
Hy. Shew, " " 5.....	39 40

In accordance with Resolution No. 67, page 57 of Proceedings, Division No. 14 has received credit for four copies returned.

By order of the G. C. C., Division No. 41 has received credit for nine copies, on account of that number returned, less the November and December numbers.

In this connection I would recommend that some action be taken by your honorable body to arrange for the settlement of magazine accounts in cases where differences occur between the Grand and sub-divisions, notably in the cases of Divisions Nos. 14, 25, 30, 31, 41 and 52.

SUMMARY.

The following is a summary of the general standing of the Order :

Number of working divisions.....	41
" divisions reported.....	27
" " " since G. D. opened.....	8
" " failing to report.....	6
" " closed during the year.....	2
" " organized during the year.....	2
" members Sept. 1, 1879, as reported.....	845
" " not reported, estimated.....	100
Total number of members, about.....	945
Number of members deceased during the year.....	8
" " suspended or expelled.....	107

Increase in membership during the year.....	96
Number of members joined insurance during the year.....	5
“ “ forfeited “ “ “	None.
“ deaths in “ “ “	None.
Increase in membership of “ “ “	5
Number of members in insurance Sept. 1st, 1879.....	104

In closing I wish to ask your forbearance in regard to any failings on my part. I have given to the business entrusted to my care during the year my best abilities, but that I have erred many times is more than probable.

My official relations during the term have been cordial and brotherly without exception, and I wish here to return to all my sincere and heartfelt thanks for the uniform kindness and courtesy which I have received.

To those who, not only when the duties of the office with which you have honored me were new and strange, but throughout the entire year, have so freely responded to all calls for counsel and assistance, I owe a debt of gratitude which 'twere vain to attempt to repay. Suffice it to say that henceforth the names of MORFORD, WHEATON and LONG will be to me the synonym of PERPETUAL FRIENDSHIP and BROTHERLY LOVE.

Trusting that the coming years may bring to us each and all increased prosperity and happiness, and that we may so live that when the end of our probation comes, whether it be amid the ruins of a wrecked train and the shriek of escaping steam, or in the quiet of a peaceful home, with loving hands to minister to every want and gently close the fast glazing eye, that shall never again watch for the fateful RED and GREEN, we may pass an examination that will gain us promotion to that Supreme Grand Division where the Great Grand Chief Conductor of the Universe presides.

I remain yours sincerely in P. F.,

W. PRESTON DANIELS,

Grand Secretary and Treasurer.

W. P. DANIELS, GRAND TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND DIVISION
ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS.

1878.		DR.	CR.
Nov. 14	To cash from Division 37.....	\$ 6 50	
“ 15	By 100 stamped envelopes.....		\$ 3 30
“ 16	“ cash for paper and ink.....		1 50
“ 23	To “ from J. C. W. Long.....	8 23	
“ 23	“ “ from J. J. Cortez.....	1 50	
“ 25	By “ on order No. 4.....		1 50
“ 27	“ “ for sundries, page 74 journal.....		3 64
“ 29	To “ from Division 1.....	5 00	
“ 29	By “ on order No. 4.....		20 00
“ 29	“ “ for 100 stamps.....		3 00
“ 29	To “ from Division 12.....	19 00	

1878.		Dr.	Cr.
Dec.	2 To cash from Division 58.....	\$7 00	
"	4 By " for wrapping paper.....		\$0 30
"	6 To " from G. C. C. for G. D. cards.....	2 00	
"	6 " " for supplies.....	2 50	
"	9 " " from Division 35.....	1 25	
"	10 " " from Division 38.....	17 00	
"	11 By " for printing, bill No. 1.....		2 50
"	13 To " from Division 11.....	24 05	
"	13 " " for supplies.....	1 50	
"	13 By " ex. charges on seal from Div. 35.....		25
"	16 " " on order No. 4.....		20 00
"	18 To " from Division 33.....	16 50	
"	20 " " from Division 17.....	12 00	
"	23 " " from G. C. C. for G. D. card.....	1 00	
"	27 " " from Division 4.....	23 00	
"	27 By " for recutting 3 seals, @ \$2 each.....		6 00
"	27 To " from Division 4.....	30 00	
"	27 By " for exp. charges on package from 45....		75
"	27 " " for express charges on package of seals from Chicago.....		45
"	28 To " from Division 59.....	23 50	
"	28 " " from Division 56.....	14 00	
"	28 By " bal. on order No. 4 to J. W. Boyles.....		21 50
1879.			
Jan.	1 To cash from Division 5.....	13 00	
"	6 " " " " 35.....	24 00	
"	6 " " " " 37.....	11 00	
"	6 By " for ex. charges on package of money from 35.....		25
"	8 To " from Division 23.....	9 50	
"	8 " " " " 44.....	27 00	
"	8 " " " " 54.....	28 00	
"	8 By " for ex. charges on package from 54.....		50
"	8 To " for supplies.....	4 82	
"	8 By " on order No. 3 to J. B. M.....		4 82
"	10 To " from Division 17.....	2 00	
"	10 " " " " 52.....	34 00	
"	10 By " order No. 9 to J. W. Boyles.....		67 00
"	10 " " Rand, McNally & Co., on account.....		100 00
"	15 To " from Division 35.....	11 25	
"	17 By " 3c stamps \$6, 1c stamps 25c, postal cards 25c.....		6 50
"	17 To " from Division 14.....	23 00	
"	18 By " recutting seal for Division 37.....		2 00
"	21 " " for printing, bill No. 2.....		57 00
"	24 To " from J. C. W. Long for Division 11....	4 50	

1879.			Dr.	Cr.
Jan.	24	To cash for insurance certificate.....	\$0 25	
"	24	" " express charges on package from Division 54 refunded.....	50	
"	28	" " from Division 42.....	19 50	
"	31	By " express charges on book from Div. 37..		\$0 50
"	31	" " express charges on proceedings from Chicago.....		4 50
Feb.	3	To " from Division 58.....	4 50	
"	7	" " " " 17.....	2 00	
"	7	" " " " 44.....	3 00	
"	7	" " " " 7 for charter.....	15 00	
"	7	" " from G. C. C. for G. D. card.....	1 00	
"	7	By " balance on order No. 8 to J. B. M.		3 75
"	7	" " " " " 10.....		6 68
"	7	" " " " " 15.....		5 37
"	15	To " from Division 19.....	9 50	
"	15	" " " " 41.....	19 50	
"	15	" " ex. charges on proceedings refunded...	4 50	
"	15	" " from Division 35.....	3 00	
"	17	By " for blank register.....		12 50
"	20	To " from Division 45.....	18 30	
"	20	" " for 3 insurance certificates.....	75	
"	24	" " from Division 37.....	1 00	
"	25	" " " " 20.....	17 00	
"	25	By " express charges on box from Div. 29...		1 00
Mar.	6	To " from Division 12.....	4 00	
"	6	By " Rand, McNally & Co., on account....		100 00
"	6	" " 50 postal cards.....		50
"	6	" " exchange on draft to Rand, McN. & Co.		10
"	10	To " from Division 24.....	9 00	
"	10	" " " " 2.....	22 00	
"	10	By " for recutting seal for Division 54, receipt dated February 15th....		2 00
"	15	To " express charges on box from Division 29 refunded.....	1 00	
"	15	" " from Division 31.....	2 50	
"	15	" " " " 49.....	24 50	
"	15	" " " " 7.....	4 00	
"	18	" " for supplies.....	1 95	
"	24	By " recutting seal for Division 7.....		2 00
"	24	To " from Division 17.....	1 50	
"	29	" " from J. W. Rankin, account of defunct Division 16.....	3 00	
"	29	" " from Division 37.....	2 50	
"	29	By " manifold and carbon paper for circulars.....		50

1879.			Dr.	Cr.
April	1	To cash from Division 9.	\$33 00	
"	1	By " Frasier House, page proceeding 1878...		\$26 50
"	3	To " from Division 53.....	17 00	
"	3	By " 200 stamps		6 00
"	9	To " from Division 38.....	1 35	
"	9	By " order No. 16, sent J. B. M.....		1 75
"	9	" " " " 17, " "		1 00
"	9	" " " " 18, " "		2 75
"	9	" " " " 19, " "		3 00
"	9	" " " " 20, " "		15 00
"	14	" " Rand, McNally & Co., on account....		45 00
"	14	" " exchange on drafts to J. B. M. and Rand, McNally & Co., 10c each		20
"	14	To " from Division 6.....	25 00	
"	21	" " " " 42.....	75	
"	21	" " " " 58.....	75	
"	21	By " for arm rest.....		75
"	21	" " recutting seal for Division 9		2 00
"	23	To " from Division 19.....	1 75	
"	23	" " " " 27.....	8 00	
"	28	" " from J. F. Adams	10 00	
May	5	" " from Division 43.....	14 00	
"	5	" " from W. L. Seeley.....	75	
"	5	" " insurance certificate	25	
"	5	By " 50 stamps, 1c		50
"	5	" " 250 envelopes		60
"	12	To " from Division 2.....	28 50	
"	15	" " " " 37.....	1 50	
"	18	" " " " 45.....	75	
"	27	" " from J. F. Adams	5 00	
"	29	" " from Division 33.....	1 50	
"	29	" " " " 49.....	1 50	
"	29	By " to E. H. Talbott, order No. 21		100 00
June	11	To " from Division 53.....	1 50	
"	11	" " " " 12.....	20 00	
"	14	" " " " 37.....	2 50	
"	14	By " express charges on seal from Div. 12..		50
"	14	" " recutting seal for Division 12.		2 00
"	21	To " express charges on seal Division 12 re- funded.....	50	
"	21	By " printing, bill No. 3.....		34 00
"	28	To " from J. F. Adams	5 00	
"	30	By " for manifold and carbon paper....		50
July	1	By " for 200 stamps		6 00
"	10	" " for recruiting seals for Divs. 20 and 45..		4 00
"	10	" " to Rand, McNally & Co. for magazine title page.....		50 00

1879.			DR.	CR.
July	22	By cash express chgs. on seal from Div. 20.....		\$0 55
"	22	" " for envelopes.....		1 50
"	29	" " for recutting seal for 32.....		2 00
Aug.	4	" " for 84 G. D. badges @ 30c each.....		25 00
"	15	" " for 200 stamps.....		6 00
"	19	To " from Berkley Division, No. 6.....	\$40 00	
"	19	By " for recutting seal for 31.....		2 00
"	26	To " from J. F. Adams.....	5 00	
"	26	" " Wahsatch, No. 45.....	2 50	
"	30	" " Freeport, No. 25.....	9 00	
"	30	" " for blanks, Division 23.....	10	
Sept.	3	" " from Sunset, No. 7.....	75	
"	5	" " Collins, No. 5.....	14 50	
"	5	" " Waterloo, No. 47.....	7 30	
"	5	By " for recutting seal for Division 21.....		2 00
"	6	" " for 100 1c stamps for circulars.....		1 00
"	10	To " from Moberly, No. 49.....	15 75	
"	13	" " Scioto, No. 33.....	3 25	
"	13	" " Delaware, No. 37.....	14 80	
"	13	" " Des Moines, No. 38.....	13 25	
"	13	By " to J. C. W. Long.....		46 90
"	13	" " for exchange on draft to J. C. W. L....		10
"	14	" " for recutting seal for Division 10.....		2 00
"	16	To " from Keystone State, No. 32.....	6 38	
"	20	" " Dallas, No. 57.....	29 25	
"	20	" " Elmira, No. 9.....	17 25	
"	20	" " Queen City, No. 60.....	37 75	
"	20	" " Alamo, No. 59.....	75	
"	20	" " Lackawana, No. 12.....	16 25	
"	20	" " Keystone State, No. 32, (received May 20th).....	11 13	
"	23	" " Chicago, No. 1.....	100 25	
"	23	" " Sunset, No. 7.....	14 00	
"	23	" " Bloomington, No. 19.....	17 75	
"	24	" " Scioto, No. 33.....	7 50	
Oct.	2	" " Silver City, No. 51.....	23 25	
"	2	" " Denver, No. 44.....	18 25	
"	2	" " Lone Star, No. 53.....	8 50	
"	2	" " St. Albans, No. 24.....	17 23	
"	2	" " Wahsatch, No. 45.....	12 50	
"	2	" " Cleveland, No. 14.....	7 50	
"	2	" " Collins, No. 5.....	39 40	
"	3	" " Valley City, No. 58.....	8 75	
"	3	By " for printing, bill number 4.....		1 75
"	3	" " for drayage on books, etc.....		25
"	6	To " from Cleveland, No. 14.....	7 75	

1879.		Dr.	Cr.
Oct. 6	To cash from Freeport, No. 25.....	\$15 25	
" 6	" " " Star, No. 32.....	30 00	
" 6	By " paid J. B. Morford on order 22.....		\$91 80.
" 6	To " from Cleveland, No. 14.....	11 50	
" 6	" " " Buffalo, No. 2.....	28 75	
" 6	" " " Marshall, No. 4.....	13 25	
" 6	" " " Creston, No. 12.....	27 50	
" 7	By " for one-half ream legal cap.....		2 00
" 7	To " from Wellsville, No. 20.....	22 10	
" 7	" " " Berkley, No. 6.....	38 50	
" 7	" " " Southern Tier, No. 19.....	34 25	
" 7	" " " Keystone State, No. 32.....	10 85	
" 7	" " " Omaha, No. 35.....	10 00	
" 7	" " " Neversink, No. 52.....	23 75	
" 8	" " " Alamo, No. 59.....	4 82	
" 9	By " on hand.....		632 95
		<u>\$1,591 51</u>	<u>\$1,591 51</u>

GRAND DIVISION LIABILITIES.

Due on outstanding orders of the present year as follows :

Order number 7 to Rand, McNally & Co.....	\$184 25
" " 8 " "	184 25
Balance due on order number 22 to J. B. Morford.....	70 80
Total.....	<u>\$439 80</u>
Due J. W. Boyles on account.....	89 10
" J. C. W. Long "	315 85
" W. L. Collins "	802 52
Note from J. W. Boyles to I. N. Pardee.....	156 00
Total.....	<u>\$1,301 27</u>

Moved by Bro. Wood, 9, that report of G. S. and T. be referred to the Special Committee on the Report of the G. C. C. Carried.

The G. C. C. appointed the following standing committees :

ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

C. S. Wheaton, 9. Wm. Kilpatrick, 1, Louis Ohliger, 20, John E. Smith, 54, and J. H. O'Bryan, 35.

ON FINANCE.

J. C. W. Long, 23, J. H. Kimball, 52, L. R. Carver, 38, S. D. Gage, 33, and Wm. L. Collins, 9.

ON WORK.

C. A. Stanchfield, 21, W. F. Bourne, 2, F. Rosencrauz, 52, Geo. E. Lemon, Jr., 7, and John Clark, 49.

Resolution No. 6, by Bro. Collins, 9 :

Resolved, That hereafter no credential will be received after the first day's session of the G. D., unless the delegate holding such credential can render a good excuse for his detention.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, 9, that resolution be laid on the table.
Carried.

Resolution No. 7, by Bro. Wheaton, 9 :

Resolved, That no brother shall speak more than twice on any question, and not more than five minutes at each time except by unanimous consent.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

Resolution No. 8, by same :

Resolved, That we hold an open session on Friday from 3 P. M. to 4 P. M., to which railway officers, members of the press and city officials be invited, and that Bro. Wm. Kilpatrick, of Division No. 1, be requested to address the visitors on that occasion.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

Moved by same that a committee of three on invitations be appointed.
Carried.

G. C. C. appointed as such committee Bros. Wheaton, Rosencranz and Smith.

Resolution No. 9, by Bro. Kimball :

Resolved, That the thanks of this G. D. be extended to Bro. J. B. Morford, G. C. C., and Bro. W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T., for the faithful and efficient manner in which they have performed the duties of their respective offices during the year.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

Resolution No. 10, by Bro. O'Bryan :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to ascertain if at any time any delegate has loaned his credential to parties to travel on.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

G. C. C. appointed as such committee, Bros. Herman, O'Bryan and Morford.

Resolution No. 11, by Bro. Collins, No. 12, by Bro. Carver, and No. 13, by Bro. Adams, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

G. D. closed at 6 P. M.

SECOND DAY.—MORNING.

UTAH HALL, October 8, 1879.

G. D. opened at 9:30 A. M., P. G. C. C. Collins in the chair.

Report of Executive Committee read by Bro. Kimball, Chairman, as follows:

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the Grand Division:

Your Executive Committee are happy to report that the harmonious workings of the Order at large, and our Grand Officers in particular, during the past year, will require but a very brief report of the business brought before them.

On October 25th, 1878, I received the bond of Bro. W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T. On the 27th of October I forwarded a true copy of said bond to the other members of the Executive Committee, Bros. Wheaton and Herman, stating that I heartily approved the same, and asking for their approval. Nov. 1st I received Bro. Wheaton's approval, but did not hear from Bro. Herman. I at once notified the secretary of each sub-division that the bond of the G. S. and T. was in the hands of the Executive Committee, and had been approved by a majority of that committee, and that all business with the G. S. and T. would be transacted with Bro. W. P. Daniels as such, until further notice. Being able to hear from our G. C. C., Bro. Morford, nearly every week, through his correspondence with the G. S. and T., of the financial condition of our Order, I, as Chairman of your Executive Committee, did not deem it necessary to look over the books of the G. S. and T. during the past year, and the admirable report made by him to this Grand Division fully justifies the opinion entertained by us of his zeal and abilities. Since the opening of the Grand Division I am informed by Bro. Herman, one of the Executive Committee, that he has looked through the books of the G. S. and T. during the year, struck a balance and found them correct.

Your committee have expended during the year the amount of \$5.25 for postage.

J. H. KIMBALL, Chairman,
C. S. WHEATON,
SAMUEL HERMAN,
Executive Committee.

Moved by Bro. Wood that report be referred to Committee on Finance. Carried.

Supplementary report of Committee on Credentials:

We, your committee, have examined the credentials of the following delegates, find them correct, and recommend that they be admitted as members of this G. D.: Denver Division, No. 44, F. C. Farmer; Dallas Division, No. 57, J. W. Keefer; Alamo Division, No. 59, J. L. Barber.

[Signed,]

A. D. MAXON,
I. N. HODGES,
M. D. DOWNEY.

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Wilson that report be received. Carried.

Report of committee to take steps to have the Order chartered by the U. S. Government read by Bro. Wheaton, Chairman, as follows:

Grand C. C. and Brothers:

Your committee, to which was assigned the duty of having the Order chartered by the United States Government, respectfully report:

I, as chairman of said committee, on or about November 1st, 1878, wrote Brothers L. R. Carver and C. W. Everts regarding the matter. Brother Carver answered promptly, acquiescing in my suggestion that we proceed at once to work. I received no answer from Bro. Everts.

On December 1st, I ascertained that Messrs. W. S. Robinson & Co., printers, had a bill of \$200 against the Conductors' Brotherhood, and had said that the good time would come when he would get it! I at once asked Brother Everts to investigate the matter (as he ran near Cleveland), and report to me at his earliest opportunity. I received a postal the next week saying that he would do so, and write me in detail in a few days; since that time I have never heard from him in any manner.

Using my own judgment in the matter, I decided not to press the matter but report these facts to this Grand Division for further instruction. That the account does exist I am sure, but just how the publisher feels in regard to it I do not know, but would recommend that it be investigated with a view to paying the same as soon as funds can be spared to do so.

All of which is respectfully submitted by

C. S. WHEATON,
L. R. CARVER,

of the Committee.

Moved by Bro. Kilpatrick that the report be accepted, another brother substituted for Bro. Everts, and committee continued another year. Carried.

G. C. C. appointed Bro. Wilson, 14, in place of Bro. Everts.

Supplementary report of Committee on Credentials:

We, your committee, have examined the credentials of the following delegates, and recommend that they be admitted as members of this G. D.: Sunset Division, No. 7, Geo. E. Lemon, Jr.; Queen City Division, No. 60, J. H. Terrell.

We also find that B. B. Brown has a credential as delegate from Lone Star Division, No. 53, without the impression of a *legal* seal, being without the words "Order of Railroad Conductors." We recommend that the *credential* be legalized, Bro. Brown admitted, and Division 53 ordered to procure a legal seal as soon as possible.

Moved by Bro. Adams that the report be accepted. Carried.

Report of Special Committee on the Reports of the G. C. C. and G. S. and T. read by Bro. Herman, chairman, as follows:

We, the committee to which was referred the reports of the G. C. C. and G. S. and T., respectfully recommend that the parts of those reports relating to finance be referred to the Committee on Finance, the balance to the Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

SAM. HERMAN,
C. A. WOOD,
M. MORRIS,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Wood that the report be received. Carried.

Resolution No. 14, by Bro. Herman:

Resolved, That the Grand Treasurer be and is hereby instructed to pay the amount of \$156 to the owner of the note given by Bro. J. Ward Boyles to Rev. I. N. Pardee, for services rendered in editing the C. B. Magazine, on or before January 1st, 1880.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

Resolution No. 15, by Bro. Carver:

Resolved, That the action of Bro. John Clark, of Division 49, in installing the officers of Queen City Division, No. 60, be legalized by this G. D.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton, that Resolution 15 be adopted. Carried.

Resolutions Nos. 16 by Bro. Wood, 17 by Bro. Stanchfield, 18 by Bro. Dunn, 19, 20, 21 and 22 by Bro. Carver, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolutions Nos. 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27, by Bro. Carver, referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 28, by Bro. Adams:

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed to learn under what circumstances a gentleman, not a member of the Order, procured a letter under the seal of Division No. 59, asking favors from members.

Moved by Bro. Kilpatrick to adopt. Carried.

G. C. C. appointed as such committee, Bros. Adams, 45, Keefer, 57, and Ashton, 31.

Resolution No. 29, by Bro. Clark, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 30, by Bro. Kilpatrick:

Resolved, That a special committee of five be appointed to draft suitable resolutions of respect in memory of our deceased brother, J. S. Fullerton, formerly C. C. of Aurora Division, No. 28, and delegate from that division to the Eighth Annual Session of the Grand Division, held in Atlanta, Ga., and at the time of his death, a member in good standing of Chicago Division, No. 1.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

G. C. C. appointed as such committee, Bros. Kilpatrick, Stanchfield, Long, Wheaton and Collins.

Resolution No. 31, by Bro. Wheaton :

Resolved, That the Ritual be placed in the hands of a committee of three and thoroughly revised.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

G. C. C. appointed as such committee, Bros. Wheaton, Stanchfield and Kilpatrick.

Preliminary report of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws :

We, your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, respectfully refer Resolution No. 21 back to your honorable body without recommendation.

C. S. WHEATON,
JNO. E. SMITH,
W. KILPATRICK,
L. OHLIGER,

of the Committee.

Moved by Bro. Kilpatrick that report be received and Resolution No. 17 adopted. Carried.

Resolution No. 17:

Resolved, That division secretaries are hereby instructed to send to the Grand Secretary an impression of the division seal, the same to be kept on record, and when any are found to be incorrect, the Grand Secretary shall notify the division to which such incorrect seal belongs, and it shall be their duty to correct the same at once.

Resolution No. 32, by Bro. Wheaton:

Resolved, That all matter to be referred to the standing committees must be introduced before 3 o'clock this P. M. in order that they may complete their respective reports.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

Minority report of Special Committee to Procure Draft for New Charter for Divisions, read by Bro. F. Rosencranz, Chairman, as follows:

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the Twelfth Grand Division :

I, as one of the committee appointed at the Eleventh Grand Division, to examine and report at this Grand Division on a new charter for subordinate divisions, do hereby submit the following minority report :

On the return of our excursion from the Northwest to Chicago, the G. C. C. Ass't G. C. C., Grand Executive Committee, Bro. J. Ward Boyles and myself examined a partial draft for a charter, which Bro. Boyles assured

the G. D. he would procure gratis. We found out for the charter complete would cost about three hundred dollars, and that there was a charge of five dollars for the partial draft. Your Committee and the Grand Officers present decided that in the crippled condition of the finances of the G. D. to postpone ordering a new charter for the present.

I wrote Bro. Ketchum of the action we had taken, but have heard nothing from either Bros. Boyles or Ketchum during the year. During the past summer our G. C. C., Bro. Morford, had a partial draft of a new charter, drawn in New York city, which was forwarded to me and also to the Executive Committee for our approval, which draft I now present to you for your final action. The cost of the present draft was \$25.00, which Bro. J. B. Morford, G. C. C., has paid, with the understanding that if the draft was adopted and charter ordered it should be applied as part payment of total cost, which will be two hundred dollars. The committee as appointed at Chicago consisted of Bro. Frank Rosencranz, Bro. J. Ward Boyles and Bro. F. E. Ketchum.

Respectfully submitted.

FRANK ROSENCRANZ,
Chairman of Committee.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton that report be received. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Daniels that Resolution No. 59, adopted by the G. D. at the Eleventh Session, be repealed. Carried

G. D. closed at 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

G. D. opened at 2:30 P. M., G. C. C. Morford in the chair.

Resolution No. 33, by Bro. Kimball:

Resolved, That Resolution No. 1 be and is hereby repealed, and that this Grand Division accept the invitation of the Commissioners of Charities and Correction of the city of New York, to visit Blackwell's Island to-morrow, October 9th; also that this Grand Division close for to-day at 6:30 P. M., and open to-morrow at 3:30 P. M.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

Resolution No. 34, by Bro. Carver, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 35, by Bro. Wood:

Resolved, That the G. C. C. is hereby empowered to appoint special Deputy Grand Chief Conductors whenever he may deem it necessary. The duty of such deputies shall be to proceed as directed by the G. C. C., receive charters and supplies of defunct divisions, investigate any and all matters in the interest of the Order, and assist in organizing new divisions, and shall receive for their services such compensation as this G. D. may determine.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

Resolution No. 36, by Bro. Hulshizer, referred to Committee on Constitution and By-Laws.

Resolution No. 37, by Bro. Wheaton:

Resolved, That deputies appointed in accordance with the provisions of Resolution No. 35, shall receive for their services the sum of \$3 per day for the time actually spent in the service of the Order, and they shall pay their own expenses.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Kilpatrick that the sum of \$13.90, paid by Division No. 7, to D. D. G. C. C. Best, and embezzled by him, be placed to their credit. Lost.

Moved by Bro. Long, 23, that Division No. 7 be allowed two years time in which to pay the \$13.90 now due from them to the G. C. Carried.

The Committee on Credentials presented their final report as follows:

We, your Committee on Credentials, have examined the credentials of the following delegates, find them correct, and recommend that they be admitted as members of this G. D.: Monumental Division, No. 15, Oliver Perine; Collins Division, No. 5, C. A. Armacost.

A. D. MAXON,
I. N. HODGES,
M. D. DOWNEY,
Committee.

Moved by Bro. Clark that report be adopted. Carried.

Resolution No. 38, by Bro. Adams:

Resolved, That upon application by representatives of the press, the Grand Secretary is hereby instructed to furnish such information in regard to the Order as is of public interest.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

Resolution 39, by Bro. Wheaton.

Moved by Bro. Smith to adopt.

Moved by Bro. Long, 23, to substitute Resolution No. 40, by Bro. Wheaton. Carried.

Resolution No 40:

Resolved, That the Printing Committee, on or before Nov. 1, issue a circular to divisions, asking how many subscribers they will furnish *with the money* therefor, at \$1.50 per annum, on Jan. 1, 1880. If the amount shall reach a sum that shall defray the expense of publishing a journal of forty pages for the year, they shall proceed and arrange for the publication of such a journal, and it shall be forwarded to only those who pay. In case of failure to raise the necessary amount they shall proceed to publish a paper of four pages, and at a subscription price of 75 cents per year.

Moved by Bro. Daniels that consideration of Resolution No. 40 be made the special order for the opening hour on Thursday, with Bro. Long, 23, on the floor. Carried.

G. D. closed at 6:30 P. M.

THIRD DAY.

UTAH HALL, October 9, 1879.

G. D. opened at 4:30 P. M., G. C. C. Morford in the chair.

Discussion resumed on question of adoption of Resolution No. 40 with Bro. Long, 23, on the floor.

After remarks by Bros. Long, Herman and others, the previous question was moved by Bro. Wheaton.

Motion to adopt Resolution No. 40 was lost.

Report of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, read by Bro. Wheaton, as follows :

NEW YORK CITY, October 8, 1879.

To the G. C. C., Officers and Members of the Grand Division :

We, your Committee on Constitution, after mature deliberation of the subject matter submitted to us for our consideration, for the reason that we wish to avoid the expenditure of any money at this time, would respectfully recommend that no change be made in the Constitution at this time.

We are also inclined more firmly to this recommendation from the fact that the Constitution as it now stands has worked very successfully for the past year, and in special cases a dispensation to act can be very easily procured from the G. C. C. or his deputies.

Brother Daniels, G. S. and T., having recommended a particular form of certificate of membership, your committee would respectfully recommend that the Standing Committee on Printing be empowered to adopt a form for membership certificates, and have a supply printed and forwarded to subdivisions, charging a suitable price per hundred.

C. S. WHEATON,
L. OHLIGER,
JOHN E. SMITH,
WM. KILPATRICK,
J. H. O'BRYAN.

Moved by Bro. Smith that report be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Long, 23, that the action of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer in using a seal returned by a defunct division for Division No. 7, be sustained. Carried.

Resolution No. 41, by Bro. Wheaton :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary is hereby requested to change the color of the traveling card as soon as the present supply is exhausted.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.
Resolution No. 42, by Bro. Wheaton :

Resolved, That all persons employed by elevated railroads, who have served one or more years as conductors on surface railroads, are eligible for admission to the Order.

Moved by Bro. Herman to lay on the table. Carried.
Resolution No. 43, by Bro. Kilpatrick :

Resolved, That the G. S. and T. is hereby empowered to use any property returned by divisions which have ceased working, to the best interest of the Grand Division.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton to adopt. Carried.
Resolution No. 44, by Bro. Kilpatrick :

Resolved, That in cases where a conductor has served upon surface railroads for a term of years and has entered the employ of an elevated railroad, and is desirous of becoming a member of this Order, he shall apply to the Grand Division for a special act granting permission to admit him to membership, the special permission to apply to that case alone.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton to lay on the table until the next annual session. Carried.

Resolution No. 45, by Bro. Wheaton :

Resolved, That we concur in the decision of the G. C. C., in the matter of the eligibility of elevated railroad conductors.

Moved by Bro. Kilpatrick to lay on the table. Carried.
Resolution No. 46, by Bro. Downey :

Resolved, That elevated railroads are not railroads proper, as defined by our Constitution.

Moved by Bro. Kilpatrick to adopt. Lost.
Resolution No. 47, by Bro. Wheaton :

Resolved, That the G. S. and T. be instructed to have a seal recut for the use of the Executive Committee and forward the same to the chairman.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.
G. D. closed at 8 P. M.

FOURTH DAY.—MORNING.

UTAH HALL, October 10, 1879.

G. D. opened at 9:44 A. M., A. G. C. Kilpatrick in the chair.

Resolution 48, by Bro. Kimball :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to receive the expected visitors this P. M.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

G. C. C. appointed as such committee Bros. Wheaton, Kilpatrick and Herman.

Resolution No. 49, by Bro. Kimball :

Resolved, That the thanks of this G. D. be tendered Division 54 for the handsome badges furnished by them for visiting brothers.

Moved by Bro. Maxon to adopt. Carried.

Resolution No. 50, by Bro. Kimball.

Moved by Bro. Kimball to adopt. Lost.

Moved by Bro. Smith that action on the adoption of Resolution No. 46 be reconsidered. Carried.

Question on adoption of Resolution No. 46. Carried.

Resolution No. 51, by Bro. Adams.

Moved by same to adopt. Lost.

Resolution No. 52, by Bro. Daniels.

Moved by same to adopt. Lost.

Resolution No. 53, by Bro. Turrell :

Resolved, That the name, number and location of each division be printed with the proceedings of this session of the G. D.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton to adopt. Carried.

Preliminary report of Committee on Finance read by Bro. Kimball, as follows :

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE OF THE TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS.

To the G. C. C., Officers and Delegates :

We, the Committee on Finance, beg leave to make the following report on the subject matter transmitted for our consideration :

We have carefully examined the report of the G. S. and T., and carefully compared it with the books placed at our disposal, and find the account correct in every particular.

We find that the G. S. and T. has received from —

Subordinate divisions and other sources the sum of.....	\$1,591 51
We find his expenditures have been.....	958 56
Leaving a balance in the Grand Treasury of.....	632 95
We find the indebtedness of the G. D. is	1,301 27

We have examined the recommendations of the G. C. C.; also his financial account, which we find correct.

The recommendation of the G. C. C. that the G. S. and T. present a statement of the total indebtedness of the Order has been complied with.

The farther recommendation of the G. C. C. that a per capita assessment that will pay off said debt on or before January 1st, 1880, we do not deem expedient to recommend at this time.

We recommend that the Grand dues for the ensuing year be \$1 per capita, payable on *all* members reported on last annual report, *before* January 1st, 1880, and upon *all new members* at the time of making out the annual report for 1880.

We recommend that the G. S. and T. shall settle with sub-divisions and individuals that are in arrears on magazine account as best he can, taking their respective accounts to be correct regardless of the magazine accounts, as many sub-divisions and individuals are charged with copies not ordered.

Your Committee unanimously recommend that the amount of \$7 paid this Grand Division last year by Queen City Division, No. 60, as Grand dues for persons who were not and never had been members of that division, be credited on their Grand Division account.

We recommend that the amount of \$16 paid by H. R. Cabery, Esq., of Chicago, to Bro. J. W. Boyles and not accounted for by him to this Grand Division, be deducted from the balance due Bro. J. W. Boyles.

We would recommend that but 500 copies of the proceedings of this Grand Division be printed, and that but 5 copies be sent to each sub-division, these 5 copies to be the property of the sub-division and not allowed to be taken from the division room. The balance of the copies printed to be preserved by the G. S. and T. for the use of new divisions.

We recommend the payment of the following bills, to-wit :

To Bro. J. B. Morford, G. C. C., the sum of \$12.92 to balance his account with the Grand Division.

To Bro. Wm. Kilpatrick, A. G. C. C., the sum of \$5 for postage stamps used by him to mail circulars to all railway managers and superintendents as ordered at the Eleventh Session of the Grand Division at Chicago.

To the Grand Executive Committee the sum of \$5.25 for postage used during the past year.

To Bro. W. L. Collins, P. G. C. C., the sum of \$68.52 to apply on the amount recommended by the Finance Committee of last year.

To Bro. J. C. W. Long, permanent member of the Grand Division, the sum of \$90 to apply to the amount recommended by the Finance Committee of last year.

To Rand, McNally & Co., the sum of \$368.59 as per orders Nos. 7 and 8 to balance their account with this Grand Division.

All of which your Committee recommend and urge to be paid at the earliest possible time.

We recommend the payment of the sum of \$250 each to the G. C. C. and G. S. and T., for services rendered during the year ending with this Grand Division.

We recommend the payment of the sum of \$49.50 to Bro. W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T., for expenses to the 12th annual session.

J. H. W. LONG, Chairman.

J. H. KIMBALL,

L. R. CARVER,

S. D. GAGE,

of the Committee.

Moved by Bro. Smith to adopt. Carried.

Report of Special Committee on Invitations read by Bro. Rosencranz, as follows:

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the Twelfth Annual Session of the Grand Division:

We, your Committee, appointed to extend invitations to railway officials, city officials, and members of the press, have ordered printed and have addressed to all railway and city officials and members of the press so far as we have been able to ascertain the names and addresses as ordered by the Grand Division, and present the bill for printing and postage of the same to this Grand Division for approval.

C. S. WHEATON,

F. ROSENCRANZ,

JNO. E. SMITH,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Gage to adopt. Carried.

Report of Committee on Work, read by Bro. Stanchfield, Chairman, as follows:

HALL OF GRAND DIVISION, ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS, }
NEW YORK, October 10, 1879. }

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers:

We, your Committee on Work, beg leave to make the following report:

After looking over the resolutions referred to, and as a resolution has been adopted by this Grand Division asking that a special committee be appointed to revise the Ritual, and as that committee has been appointed, therefore we, your Committee, do not deem it best to make any changes in

the work at this time, and recommend that all resolutions now in the hands of this committee be referred to the Special Committee appointed to revise the ritual.

Yours in P. F.,

C. A. STANCHFIELD
F. ROSENCRANZ,
JOHN CLARK,
W. F. BOURNE,
GEO. E. LEMON, JR.,
Committee.

Moved by Bro. Adams to adopt. Carried.

Resolution No. 54, by Bro. Kimball:

Resolved, That the draft for a new charter for divisions, presented by the committee, be adopted and the plate ordered at the price mentioned, viz., \$200.00; that a supply be ordered soon as possible and a new charter forwarded to each division by the Grand Secretary, for which he shall charge \$5.00 each, except to new divisions. Divisions, on receipt of the new charter, shall immediately forward the old one to the Grand Secretary.

Moved by Bro. Verrill to adopt. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Maxon to suspend rules and proceed to election of officers. Carried.

G. C. C. appointed Bros. Stanchfield, Dunn and Gage as tellers.

Nominations for G. C. C.

John B. Morford nominated by Bro. Gage.

Moved by Bro. Verrill that the Grand Secretary cast the entire vote of the G. D. for Bro. Morford. Carried.

Tellers announced 34 votes for John B. Morford, of New York City, Division No. 54. G. C. C. declared Bro. Morford duly elected to the office of Grand Chief Conductor for the ensuing year.

Nominations for A. G. C. C.

Wm. Kilpatrick, nominated by Brother Long, 14.

Jos. H. Kimball, nominated by Brother Carver.

Tellers announced 22 votes for Brother Kilpatrick and 12 votes for Brother Kimball.

G. C. C. declared Brother Wm. Kilpatrick, of Chicago Division, No. 1, duly elected to the office of Assistant Grand Chief Conductor for the ensuing year.

Nominations for G. S. and T.:

Wm. P. Daniels nominated by Brother Wheaton.

Moved by Brother Wheaton that Brother Verrill cast the entire vote of the G. D. for Brother Daniels. Carried.

Tellers announced 34 votes for Brother Daniels.

G. C. C. declared Brother Wm. P. Daniels, of Valley City Division, No. 58, duly elected to the office of Grand Secretary and Treasurer for the ensuing year.

Nominations for G. Sr. C. of C.:

Luther R. Carver, nominated by Brother Kimball.

Edgar F. Verrill, nominated by Brother Adams.

John F. Adams, nominated by Brother Wheaton.

Tellers announced :

17 votes for Brother Carver.

15 " " Verrill.

5 " " Adams.

No candidate having received a majority of the votes cast, G. C. C. ordered a second ballot.

Tellers announced :

20 votes for Brother Carver.

17 " " Verrill.

G. C. C. declared Brother Luther R. Carver, of Des Moines Division, No. 38, duly elected to the office of Grand Senior Conductor of Ceremonies for the ensuing year.

G. D. Closed at 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

G. D. opened at 2:30 P. M., G. C. C. Morford in the chair.

Nominations for G. Jr. C. of C.:

Brother Verrill, nominated by Brother Davidson.

Brother Rosencranz, nominated by Brother Wheaton.

Tellers announced :

24 votes for Brother Verrill.

10 " " Rosencranz.

G. C. C. declared Brother Edgar F. Verrill, of Silver State Division No. 51, duly elected to the office of Grand Junior Conductor of Ceremonies.

Nominations for G. I. S. :

Brother Ashton, nominated by Brother Wheaton.

Brother Smith, nominated by Brother Morris.

Brother Hulshizer, nominated by Brother Carver.

Brother Barber, nominated by Brother Kimball.

Tellers announced :

8 votes for Brother Ashton.

8 " " Smith.

4 " " Hulshizer.

15 " " Barber.

No candidate having a majority of the votes cast, the G. C. C. ordered a second ballot.

Tellers announced :

14	votes for Brother Ashton.
4	" " Smith.
19	" " Barber.

G. C. C. declared Bro. James L. Barber, of Alamo Division, No. 59, duly elected to the office of Grand Inside Sentinel for the ensuing year.

Nominations for G. O. S.:

Bro. Hulshizer, nominated by Bro. Davidson.

Bro. Adams, nominated by Bro. Kimball.

Bro. Wood, nominated by Bro. Bourne.

Tellers announced:

4	votes for Bro. Hulshizer.
20	" " Adams.
12	" " Wood.

G. C. C. declared Bro. John F. Adams, of Wahsatch Division, No. 45, duly elected to the office of Grand Outside Sentinel for the ensuing year.

Nominations for P. G. C. C.:

Bro. Kimball nominated by Bro. Stanchfield.

Moved by Bro. Davidson that the Grand Secretary cast the entire vote of the G. D. for Bro. Kimball. Carried.

Tellers announced 36 votes for Bro. Kimball.

G. C. C. declared Bro. Joseph H. Kimball, of Neversink Division, No. 52, duly elected to the office of Past Grand Chief Conductor for the ensuing year.

Nominations for member of the Executive Committee.:

Bro. Ashton, nominated by Bro. Wood.

Bro. Turrell, nominated by Bro. Dunn.

Bro. Smith, nominated by Bro. Morris.

Bro. Clark, nominated by Bro. Carver.

Bro. Rosencranz, nominated by Bro. Verrill.

Tellers announced:

17	votes for Bro. Ashton.
3	" " Turrell.
10	" " Smith.
6	" " Clark.
2	" " Rosencranz.

No candidate having received a majority of the votes cast the G. C. C. ordered a second ballot.

Tellers announced:

19	votes for Bro. Ashton.
7	" " Clark.
11	" " Smith.

G. C. C. declared Bro. Charles R. Ashton, of Star Division, No. 31, duly elected a member of the Executive Committee for a term of three years.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton that an informal ballot be taken for the place to hold the next annual session of the G. D. Carried.

Tellers announced:

24	votes for St. Louis, Mo.
7	“ Cleveland, Ohio.
4	“ Cincinnati, “
3	“ Scattering.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton that a formal ballot be now taken. Carried.
Tellers announced:

31	votes for St. Louis, Mo.
8	“ Cleveland, Ohio.

G. C. C. declared St. Louis, Mo. the choice of the G. D. for holding the next annual session.

G. C. C. ordered recess for the purpose of admitting visitors.

Visitors were escorted into the hall by Bros. Wheaton, Kilpatrick and Herman, and introduced to the G. D. by G. C. C. Morford, who also introduced Bro. Kilpatrick, who addressed the visitors, setting forth the aims and objects of the Order, and some of the good results accomplished by it.

The address was responded to by Mr. Rockwell, of the New York *Sun*, and remarks were also made by Bro. Wheaton and Messrs. Hedden and Mills, the latter gentleman being General Passenger Agent of the Sea Beach Railway.

The visitors retiring, the G. D. was called to order at 4:00 P. M.
Resolution No. 55, by Bro. Kimball:

Resolved, That the thanks of this G. D. are hereby tendered Buffalo Division, No. 2, and New York City Division, No. 54, for the use of their regalias during the session.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.
Resolution No. 56, by Bro. Wheaton:

Resolved, That the thanks of this G. D. are due and are hereby tendered to John B. Morford, G. C. C., and the Committee of Arrangements of New York City Division, No. 54, for the elaborate programme arranged for us during our stay in this city, and for our excursions.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

Report of Special Committee to draft resolutions in memory of the late Bro. J. T. Fullerton read by Bro. Kilpatrick, Chairman, enclosing Resolution No. 57, as follows:

WHEREAS, It having pleased the Grand Chief Conductor to remove from the circle of our Order, by death, Bro. J. T. Fullerton, be it

Resolved, That the sympathies of this **Grand Division** are hereby tendered to the family of the deceased brother in this their hour of extreme trouble.

Resolved, That this preamble and resolutions be spread on the minutes and published in the daily papers, and a copy forwarded to the family of the deceased brother.

W. KILPATRICK,
C. A. STANCHFIELD,
C. S. WHEATON,
J. C. W. LONG,
WM. L. COLLINS,
Committee.

Moved by Bro. Adams to adopt. Carried unanimously.
Resolution No. 58, by Bro. Daniels:

Resolved, That hereafter, members of this G. D. absenting themselves from any session after presenting their credentials, without being excused, shall be excluded for the remainder of the session unless admitted by an unanimous vote of the G. D.

Moved by same to adopt. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton that all division secretaries who have not already complied, be ordered to comply with Circular No. 5, issued by the Grand Secretary under date of Feb. 25, 1879. Carried.

Communication from Mr. George V. Morford, Train Master New York Elevated Railway, read as follows:

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Division of Order of Railway Conductors, now assembled in the City of New York:

GENTS:—I hereby petition your Grand Body to grant permission to New York City Division, No. 54, to receive me as a member of the Order.

Very respectfully,

GEO. V. MORFORD,
Train Master Manhattan Elevated Ry.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton that the communication be received, placed on file, and the petition contained therein granted. Carried.

Final report of Committee on Finance read by Bro. Kimball, as follows:

FINAL REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE TWELFTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE GRAND DIVISION.

Your committee would recommend the payment of the bill of Martin B. Brown, containing the following items:

150 tickets of invitation.....	\$ 2 50
500 circulars.....	7 00
250 invitations with envelopes and enclosures.....	8 50
500 copies acrostatic.....	2 50
Total.....	\$20 50
To Bro. J. B. Morford, G. C. C., for personal expenses attending Grand Division.....	\$16 00
To Bro. John Clark, of Division No. 49, for postage on invitations.....	65

J. H. KIMBALL,
L. R. CARVER,
S. D. GAGE,

of the Committee.

Moved by Bro. Clark to adopt. Carried.

The Grand Officers elect were then presented by Bro. C. S. Wheaton, acting G. Sr. C. of C, and duly installed by P. G. C. C. Stanchfield. The Grand Division was then closed in regular form by G. C. C. Morford, to remain closed until the first Tuesday in October, 1880, unless sooner specially convened.

JOHN B. MORFORD, G. C. C.

Attest: WM. P. DANIELS, G. S. and T.

NAME, NUMBER AND LOCATION OF DIVISIONS.

Chicago,	No. 1....Chicago, Illinois.
Buffalo,	" 2....Buffalo, New York.
Marshall,	" 4....Marshalltown, Iowa.
Collins,	" 5....Baltimore, Maryland.
Berkley,	" 6....Martinsburg, West Virginia.
Sunset,	" 7... Columbus, Texas.
Elmira,	" 9....Elmira, New York.
Southern Tier,	" 10....Waverly, New York.
Lackawanna,	" 12....Scranton, Pennsylvania.
Cleveland,	" 14....Cleveland, Ohio.
Monumental,	" 15....Baltimore, Maryland.
Quincy,	" 17....Newark, Ohio.
Bloomington,	" 19....Bloomington, Illinois.
Wellsville,	" 20....Wellsville, Ohio.
Creston,	" 21....Creston, Iowa.
Wayne,	" 23....Fort Wayne, Indiana.
St. Albans,	" 24....St. Albans, Vermont.
Freeport,	" 25....Freeport, Illinois.
Susquehanna,	" 27... Catawissa, Pennsylvania.
Star,	" 31....Burlington, Iowa.
Keystone State,	" 32....Meadville, Pennsylvania.
Scioto,	" 33....Chillicothe, Ohio.
Omaha,	" 35....Omaha, Nebraska.
Delaware,	" 37....Phillipsburg, New Jersey.
Des Moines,	" 38....Des Moines, Iowa.
Hawkeye,	" 41....Davenport, Iowa.
Trenton,	" 42....Trenton, Missouri.
Rocky Mountain,	" 43 ...Cheyenne, Wyoming Territory.
Denver,	" 44....Denver, Colorado.
Wahsatch,	" 45....Evanston, Wyoming Territory.
Moberly,	" 49....Moberly, Missouri.
Silver State,	" 51....Carson City, Nevada.
Neversink,	" 52....Port Jervis, New York.
Lone Star,	" 53....Denison, Texas.
New York City,	" 54....New York, New York.
Kaw Valley,	" 55....Kansas City, Missouri.
Pyramid,	" 56....Wadsworth, Nevada.
Dallas,	" 57....Dallas, Texas.
Valley City,	" 58....Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
Alamo,	" 59....Texarkana, Arkansas.
Queen City,	" 60....Sedalia, Missouri.

Address of Grand Officers.

P. G. C. C., JOSEPH H. KIMBALL,
Port Jervis, N. Y.

G. C. C., JOHN B. MORFORD,
Box 644, New York City.

A. G. C. C., WM. KILPATRICK,
113 North Peoria Street, Chicago, Illinois.

G. S. AND T., WM. P. DANIELS,
Lock Box 154, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

G. SR. C. OF C., LUTHER R. CARVER,
Box 59, Keokuk, Iowa.

G. JR. C. OF C., EDGAR F. VERRILL,
Virginia City, Nevada.

G. I. S., JAMES L. BARBER,
Texarkana, Arkansas.

G. O. S., JOHN F. ADAMS,
Ogden, Utah.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

	TERMS EXPIRE
CALVIN S. WHEATON, CHAIRMAN, 221 Mt. Zoar St., Elmira, N. Y.	Oct., 1880.
SAMUEL HERMAN, 420 Cass Street, Omaha, Neb.	Oct., 1881.
CHARLES R. ASHTON, U. P. Hotel, Council Bluffs, Iowa.	Oct., 1882.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

J. C. W. LONG, CHAIRMAN,
20 Williams Street, Fort Wayne, Ind.

H. S. CHAPMAN,
357 Eagle Street, Buffalo, N. Y.

ISAAC F. DAVIDSON,
Pittsburgh, Pa., Care P. & L. E. Ry., East Side.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS
AT THE
THIRTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF ST. LOUIS, MO.

OCTOBER 19, 1880.

(375)



Wm. A. Daniels.

Grand Secretary and Treasurer.

PROCEEDINGS.

DRUID'S HALL, ST. LOUIS, MO., Oct. 19, 1880.

The Division met in regular session at Druid's Hall, St. Louis, Mo., and was called to order by G. C. C. Morford, with the following

OFFICERS PRESENT—Joseph H. Kimball, P. G. C. C.; John B. Morford, G. C. C.; Wm. P. Daniels, G. S. and T.; Luther R. Carver, G. S. C. of C.

OFFICERS ABSENT—Wm. Kilpatrick, A. G. C. C.; Ed. F. Verrill, G. J. C. of C.; James L. Barber, G. I. S.; John F. Adams, G. O. S.

G. C. C. Morford made the following *pro tem* appointments: W. L. Collins, A. G. C. C.; W. S. Dunn, G. J. C. of C.; J. C. Whissen, G. I. S.; F. C. Aechternacht, G. O. S.; W. J. Jackman, Geo. Dewey and J. D. Shults, a Committee on Credentials.

The Committee on Credentials reported as follows:

We, your Committee on Credentials, report that we have examined the credentials of the following named delegates, find that they are correct, that their respective divisions have complied with Sec. 7 of Art. 2 of the Constitution, and recommend that they be admitted as members of the Grand Division:

Chicago Div., No. 1, E. A. Sadd.
Buffalo Div., No. 2, W. J. Jackman.
St. Louis Div., No. 3, R. E. Fitzgerald.
Collins Div., No. 5, George Dewey.
Rochester Div., No. 8, J. D. Shults.
Elmira Div., No. 9, Geo. W. Slair.
Lackawanna Div., No. 12, W. S. Dunn.
Cleveland Div., No. 14, J. D. Archer.
Wellsville Div., No. 20, Wm. H. Hoover.
Omaha Div., No. 35, Sam. A. Herman.
Delaware Div., No. 37, J. D. German.
Des Moines Div., No. 38, L. R. Carver.
Trenton Div., No. 42, E. A. Stone.
Moberly Div., No. 49, John Clark.
Neversink Div., No. 52, F. Rosencranz.
Lone Star Div., No. 53, W. C. Morrill.
New York City Div., No. 54, M. Ryan.
Kaw Valley Div., No. 55, F. C. Aechternacht.
Evergreen Div., No. 57, Wm. McMurry.

Alamo Div., No. 59, M. C. Meehan.

Queen City Div., No. 60, A. G. Brown.

Chairman of Executive Committee, C. S. Wheaton.

Members of Executive Committee, Sam. A. Herman, C. R. Ashton.

Chairman of Insurance Committee, J. C. W. Long.

Members of Insurance Committee, H. S. Chapman, I. F. Davidson.

Permanent Members, W. L. Collins, J. C. W. Long, J. C. Whissen, I. F. Davidson.

We also find that Union Division, No. 13, organized since the close of the fiscal year, has elected as a delegate to this Grand Division Bro. Benj. Arnum, and we recommend that he also be admitted.

[Signed.]

W. J. JACKMAN,

GEO. DEWEY,

J. D. SHULTS,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Wheaton the report was adopted.

The Grand Division was then opened in regular form and declared ready for business.

The G. C. C. appointed the Standing Committees as follows :

ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS—H. S. Chapman, J. D. German, G. W. Siar, J. C. W. Long, and R. E. Fitzgerald.

ON FINANCE—S. A. Herman, L. R. Carver, Ben. Arnum, M. C. Meehan, and J. B. Whissen.

ON WORK—W. L. Collins, J. H. Kimball, C. S. Wheaton, F. C. Aechternacht, and I. F. Davidson.

ON G. C. C.'s ADDRESS—F. Rosencranz, M. Ryan and John Clark.

ON INVITATIONS—John Clark, F. C. Aechternacht and Ben. Arnum.

Resolution No. 1, by Bro. Meehan, adopted :

Resolved, That this Grand Division be governed by the following time :
Open at 9:30 A. M., close for dinner at 12:45 P. M., open at 2:30 P. M., and close at 6:30 P. M., St. Louis time.

Resolution No. 2, by Bro. Long, adopted :

Resolved, That all resolutions offered during this session shall be in writing, signed by the member offering, with the number of his division.

Resolution No. 3, by Bro. Daniels, adopted :

Resolved, That the rules be suspended and the revision of the Constitution and By-Laws, Rules of Order and Insurance Laws, prepared by Bro. Daniels, be received and referred to a special committee of nine.

Resolution No. 3, by Bro. Kimball, adopted :

Resolved, That this Grand Division hold an open session on Friday, Oct. 22d, at 3 P. M., to meet invited guests.

The G. C. C. appointed the following Special Committee on Revision of Constitution as provided by Resolution No. 3 : Bros. Daniels, Wheaton, Long, Clark, Carver, Aechternacht, Rosencranz, Chapman and Kimball.

Recess for dinner at 12:45.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division called to order at 2:30 P. M., by G. C. C. Morford.
Resolution No. 5, by Bro. Clark, adopted :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to receive and introduce visitors to the Grand Division during the open session.

G. C. C. appointed Bros. Fitzgerald, Herman and Ryan as such committee.

G. C. C. Morford then read his annual address and financial account for the year, as follows :

Grand Officers and Brethren:

We are permitted once more through the kindness of an allwise God to meet together, and have assembled in this, the city of St. Louis, for our Thirteenth Session of the Grand Division of the "Order of Railway Conductors," and as we clasp each brother's hand, we feel our pulses quicken, and the blood courses swiftly through our veins, so happy are we that we are permitted to come together again. My Brothers, I welcome you sincerely, heartily, and in this reunion of hands and hearts, let us pledge ourselves to the grave duties before us, that in the coming year the growth of our Order may be more rapid, and its influence more deeply felt. We meet now, in the sweet, lingering autumn, in ripe, warm days, when all the air is like rich fragrant wine; when the trees put on their robes of scarlet, brown, gold and amber; when the hills are ablaze with their crown of glory; when there is color, beautiful color, everywhere; when summer has repeated her last, sweet prayer and gone to sleep; over all rests a loving benediction and peace. With all this beauty about us we cannot help but bring willing hearts and ready hands to the work before us.

The year just closed has been a prosperous one; not only for the good of our noble Order, but to the various railways you have the honor to represent, to your country, and to the laborer who only one year ago was asking for aid and nourishment, now has employment, and their families are gathered around them full of cheer and happiness; as an evidence of that fact, just look at the increased number of miles of railways, the increase in buildings, not only residences and public buildings, but factories of every description; the resumption of our rolling mills, machine shops, locomotive works, and the amount of machinery, etc., manufactured in this country and delivered in foreign countries; the revival of our cotton and silk mills, the demand being so very great that agents have been employed in bringing from Europe men and women to complete the orders; our stocks have

greatly advanced and our ore fields have ripened. The iron trade has been so great that our ore fields could not begin to supply the demand as called for, hence the importation of it to this country.

Allow me to call your attention to the enormous quantity of the crude, partially and wholly manufactured iron material imported for railways, etc., which is another evidence of the prosperity of our country. Unable to meet the demand we had to make heavy drafts on foreign countries to meet the deficiency, and therefore searched and brought to light the material from every quarter of the civilized globe with the following results, to-wit :

From January 1st to September 1st, 1880, there was imported into the port of New York as follows, viz :

83,846	tons of iron ore, value	\$ 217,340 00
48,347	" pig iron, value	6,489,339 00
584,431½	" old scrap and wrought iron, value....	7,271,810 00
70,475	" iron rails, value.....	2,446,869 00
58,992	" steel rails, value.....	1,348,201 00

Our exports have been by far greater than our imports, as the following figures as compiled in the United States Treasury Department will show :

The imports of foreign merchandise for seven (7) months, from the 1st of January to July 31st, 1880, amounts to the sum of \$438,802,626, while our exports for the same period amounts to the enormous sum of \$476,078,274, showing a balance, notwithstanding the unprecedented importation of foreign goods, in our favor of \$37,275,648 compared with last year, when the imports for the same period of time amounted to but \$268,435,775, showing an excess for this year in imports of \$170,366,851; our exports, while amounting to \$386,788,726, for the same number of months in 1879, for 1880 amounts to \$476,078,274, showing a balance in our favor for this year of \$89,289,548.

The Treasury Department for the present fiscal year has ordered the transfer of \$30,000,000 in gold from the sub-treasury in New York to the Assay Office, to be used in making exchange on account of foreign gold.

The amount of foreign gold that has come to this country since July 1st, last, is estimated by treasury officials to be about \$35,600,000.

Our commercial streets are actually blocked up with merchandise for southern markets, and extra steamers have been put on for Charleston, Savannah, New Orleans and other ports, to carry the enormous freight required for that new trade, which has taken unprecedented proportions.

To the coming Congress, I would suggest that they make such laws as will advance and protect our commercial interest, and allow us to establish our own lines to convey the heavy amount of products, etc., now raised in this country and carried by European vessels.

Since the close of the Twelfth Annual Session of the Grand Division, held in the City of New York, our Order has prospered in every way. We have an increase of 105 in membership, and have organized four new

divisions—one in Rochester, New York, with 12 charter members; one in St. Louis, Missouri, with 23; one in Emporia, Kansas, with 17; and one in St. Thomas, Canada, with 51; and reorganized Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, with 9 of the old members, at Kansas City, Missouri; and Pyramid Division, No. 56, with 15 members.

Let us again extend our thanks to the various railways who recognize us as true friends, and allow us free transportation to and from our Annual Grand Division; the courtesy extended us in the free use of special trains, etc., for our annual excursion, which shows the services of worthy men are fully appreciated.

OBITUARY.

While we have so many reasons for rejoicing, we are full of sorrow when we see how many death has taken from us since we last met.

November 11th, 1879, Bro. W. W. Terrwilliger, of Division No. 9, was killed at Williamsport, Pa., while staking out some cars, the stake breaking causing instant death. His remains were taken charge of by the members of Division No. 9, who had the entire charge of the funeral. The Northern Central Railway furnished a special car for relatives and friends from Williamsport to Elmira and return, and presented his widow with \$250. May his soul rest in peace.

November 18th, Bro. J. H. Turrell, of Division No. 60, died at his home in Hannibal, Missouri, of pneumonia, after one week's illness. Many of the brothers in this Grand Division room will remember him as the delegate from Queen City Division, No. 60, at the Twelfth Annual Session held in the city of New York, just one year ago, and how attentive he was all through the session, and the interest he took in our good work. He parted with us on the evening of the 17th of October, last year, with a hearty shake of the hand, and the words, "God bless you, if alive and well will meet with you at St. Louis;" but scarcely a month elapsed after our separation before the "grim messenger" came and set the seal of silence forever upon his lips. How uncertain is life, how certain is death. "The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away."

January 21st, 1880, Bro. Chas. A. Beach, of Division No. 2, was instantly killed at Attica, New York, by being crushed between two cars.

May 27th, Bro. John J. Knox, of Division No. 54, was instantly killed by his head coming in contact with a bridge on the Long Branch division of the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey. New York City Division, No. 54, procured passes for his remains and relatives to Mount Pleasant, Pa., for burial, via the Pennsylvania Railroad, and the Central Railroad Company of New Jersey presented his widow with \$250, paid expenses of casket, etc., and detailed Bro. C. W. Keyser to accompany them to place of destination. Bright, beautiful even in death is that life which goes out with the dawning of the eternal day breaking the portals of the tomb.

August 24th, Bro. Edward A. Wherley, Jr. C. of C. and A. C. C. elect of Division No. 5, about 10 P. M., while his train (a very heavy one)

was approaching the water plug at Glen Rock station, it became detached (it also had a pusher engine on rear end), the parts collided, breaking a car tank of crude oil, which splashed over him, and while he was in the act of stooping to remove an obstruction that had been thrown on the opposite track, his clothing, saturated with the oil, became ignited by proximity to his hand lamp, enveloping him in the terrible flame, burning him to a crisp. Agonizing as were his sufferings, he walked about a quarter of a mile to the house of his father-in-law, where he lingered in untold pain until death terminated his terrible sufferings at 6 P. M., August 25th. "Peace be to his ashes." Too much cannot be said of Bro. Wherley. He was respected by every one who knew him. He lived a Christian life and died happy and resigned.

Our hearts are yet aching over the new made grave where a few days since we laid to rest the brother whose life was sacrificed to his calling, but these are only sleeping, waiting at the last station.

"Yes, they sleep, to wake at morning,
On the calm, eternal shore ;
To a new and strange existence,
Full of rest forever more."

The most sacred ties bind this organization together. "Perpetual Friendship" (permanent affection), is the link that unites the brothers whose lives are governed by the rule, "Whatsoever ye would that others should do to you, do ye even so unto them," and thus we remember that—

"Life is a garden fair and free,
But 'tis love that holds the golden key ;
For hands and heart
Once held apart,
Life's flowers are dashed with storm of sorrow ;
And bloom to-day to blight to-morrow.
Then heedless ever of wind and weather,
Let life and love be linked together."

CHARTERS.

During the year I granted the following charters :

April 5th, to Rochester Division, No. 8, located at Rochester, New York.

July 11th, to St. Louis Division, No. 3, located at St. Louis, Mo.

August 8th, to Emporia Division, No. 11, located at Emporia, Kansas.

October 1st, to Union Division, No. 13, located at St. Thomas, Canada.

CHARTERS ARRESTED.

Susquehanna Division, No. 27, warrant dated Nov. 24th, 1879.

Wayne Division, No. 23, warrant dated March 16th, 1880.

Quincy Division, No. 17, warrant dated April 29th, 1880.

Monumental Division, No. 15, warrant dated July 26th, 1880.
Philadelphia Division, No. 18, warrant dated Sept. 10th, 1880.

ORGANIZATION OF NEW DIVISIONS.

April 5th, 1880, Bro. E. G. Whitman, D. D. G. C. C. (Western District), New York, in company with Bros. Jackman and Hatch, of Division No. 2, initiated and installed the officers and charter members of Rochester Division, No. 8, consisting of 12 members.

July 11th, Bro. John Clark, D. D. G. C. C. State of Missouri, ably assisted by Bros. L. R. Carver and D. Bridenstein, of Division 38, and Bro. W. R. Bell, of Division No. 57, and Bros. T. E. Young and B. Bartholomew, of Division No. 49, initiated and installed the officers and charter members of St. Louis Division, No. 3, of St. Louis, Missouri, consisting of 23 members.

August 8th, Bro. F. Chas. Aechternacht, D. D. G. C. C., Kansas State, ably assisted by Bro. James Laughlin, of Division No. 55, and Bros. Peck and Griffith, of Division No. 49, had the honor of organizing Emporia Division, No. 11, at Emporia, Kansas, consisting of 17 charter members.

Bro. W. J. Jackman, Special D. D. G. C. C., assisted by Bros. Whitman and Chapman, of Division No. 2, organized a division at St. Thomas, Canada, and initiated and installed the officers and members of Union Division, No. 13, consisting of 51 members.

DISPENSATIONS.

During the year I have granted the following dispensations:

October 27th, 1879, to New York City Division, No. 54, to hold their regular second Monday meetings at the Astor House, New York City, instead of at No. 300 Eighth Avenue.

Nov. 29th, to Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, to change the word of (Art. 1, Sec. 11,) August to December and September to January (in this instance) in order to reorganize and elect their officers for the ensuing year.

December 10th, to New York City Division, No. 54, to hold a special meeting at 300 Eighth Avenue, on Thursday, December 16th, at 11 A. M., for the purpose of conferring the degrees on Mr. David Folhurst, a conductor running on the Long Island Railroad.

December 18th, to Bloomington Division, No. 19, to hold their meetings at such time and place that may be most convenient and practicable to them, they to hold one meeting each and every month.

December 26th, to Queen City Division, No. 60, to change their place of meeting from No. 104 East Main street to "Knights of Pythias" Hall, Ohio street, Sedalia, Mo., and to hold their regular meeting on every Saturday evening instead of Monday evening, as heretofore, in effect on and after January 8d, 1880.

February 14th, 1880, to Trenton Division, No. 42, to pay back to one

James A. Keith (he being an infidel), the sum of five dollars, received from him, accompanied by his application to become a member of the Order.

February 23d, to Silver State Division, No. 51, to hold their meetings at such time and place as the Chief Conductor may select, providing they fully comply with Section 10, Article 6, of Constitution.

March 11th, to all D. D. G. C. C.'s, in reference to the arresting of charters, etc. (See page 109, letter book.)

March 20th, to Dallas Division, No. 57, to change their name to Evergreen.

April 9th, to Denver Division, No. 44, to hold their meetings at such time as would be most convenient to the majority of the members. Dispensation to stand good until October 1st, 1880.

April 10th, to Marshall Division, No. 4, to initiate Mr. R. S. McMurray, chief clerk in the General Passenger Agent's office of the Central Iowa Railway Company, he having run a train, but not the required time the Constitution calls for (see letters from Bros. Carver and Norton, C. C., Division No. 4, April 5th).

May 31st, to John Clark, to devote ten (10) days of his time to organize a division in St. Louis.

June 23d, to Bro. A. B. Murphy, to obtain books, papers, etc., of Philadelphia Division, No. 18.

June 28th, to Bro. C. S. Wheaton, to visit Southern Tier Division, No. 10.

July 22d, to Trenton Division, No. 42, to change their time of meeting from first and third Sundays to second and fourth Thursday evenings in each month.

August 22d, to New York City Division, No. 54, to hold their last meeting in August, at Jersey City, New Jersey, on Monday at 12 M., August 30th, instead of at Utah Hall, New York, on August 22d, at 2 P. M.

September 16th, to J. H. McPartland, to reorganize Star Division, No. 31, and initiate the two (2), and others if they present themselves same as in a new division.

September 15th, to J. H. McPartland, C. C., and S. Brown, Secretary, of Star Division, 31, to hold a meeting with less than a quorum, and to elect, initiate and promote the conductors at one meeting.

September 18th, to A. B. Murphy, to reorganize Philadelphia Division, No. 18, and to initiate all that present themselves, same as in a case of a new division.

September 18th, to A. B. Murphy, to hold a meeting with less than a quorum for Division No. 18, and to elect, initiate and promote the conductors at one meeting.

October 5th, to Keystone State Division, No. 32, to continue over the present officers elected for last year until such time after the next G. D., as they could get together, and re-elect officers for the ensuing year. Also appointed Bro. C. W. Everts as delegate to the G. D., and requested C. J. Ramsey, Secretary, to forward this year's report (up to the time of last meeting) to the G. S. and T., by aforesaid delegate to the G. D.

REPORTS OF D. D. G. C. C.'S.

I received a report from Bro. J. C. W. Long, D. D. G. C. C., for the Eastern District of the State of Indiana, to the effect that he did all possible to induce conductors on western lines to become members of our Order; has also used every means in his power to revive "drooping and sinking" Division No. 23, but all his labors were in vain; and acting under official instructions from me as G. C. C., he proceeded to close up the affairs of Wayne Division, No. 23, and forwarded the seal, ritual and charter to Bro. W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T. In closing up Division 23 he found their indebtedness to be \$55.00 for hall rent, and sold all the furniture, which amounted to some \$40.00, which left a deficiency in rent of \$15.00.

Bro. J. D. German, D. D. G. C. C., Western District, New Jersey, reports that he installed the officers of Delaware Division, No. 37. The division has gained four new members and lost one since last report; expect an increase of five more within two months. He reports Delaware Division, No. 37, in good condition financially, morally and brotherly.

Bro. A. B. Murphy, Special D. D. G. C., Pennsylvania, reports that on September 11th, he procured 23 regalias, secretary's books, four old rituals, seal, ballot boxes and balls, 150 receipts for dues, and September 22d procured the charter, six new and two old rituals, all the property of Philadelphia Division, No. 18, and on the 13th and 22d forwarded same to W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T. He devoted five days in procuring the same.

Bro. F. Chas. Aehternacht, D. D. G. C. C., State of Kansas, reports that on March 2d he reorganized Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, with eleven old members, and installed the officers elect. On August 8th he organized a division at Emporia, Kansas, with 17 charter members, known as "Emporia" Division, No. 11. He granted a dispensation to Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, to elect Bro. J. C. Nettleton Secretary and Treasurer. Also one to confer both degrees at the same meeting, and to hold their meetings at such time and place as they might agree upon, until a suitable hall could be procured. Dispensations to hold good until September 30th, 1880. And on August 29th he issued a dispensation to Emporia Division, No. 11, for the officers elected at the organization of the division, to hold over for the coming year, after they had been re-elected by a majority vote of the division. And on September 12th he installed the officers elect for the ensuing year, of Kaw Valley Division, No. 55.

Bro. Hy. Shew, D. D. G. C. C., State of Maryland, reports that in August he arrested the charter of Monumental Division, No. 15, by special order of the G. C. C., as that division had held but one meeting since the last G. D. He also enclosed me affidavits, etc., appertaining to Division No. 15. Also he reports that Collins Division, No. 5, is in good condition. During the year there have been four persons proposed and four accepted; initiations, three; expulsions, one, for non-payment of dues, and one death, making nineteen members in good standing. Although Division No. 5 increases slowly in membership, owing to the financial circumstances of our conduc-

tors, and their many unexpected changes of position in service, almost constant engagements, etc., still its prospects are highly favorable and encouraging, and he believes it will in time embody all the best material of the railway companies there.

Bro. W. S. Dunn, D. D. G. C. C., Northern District Pennsylvania, reports that on November 30th he visited Susquehanna Division, No. 27, found them not in a flourishing condition, and soon after their charter was arrested. He also visited Great Bend, Pennsylvania, hoping to organize a division there. Division No. 12 has not increased any in membership, but prospects are bright, as there are propositions on hand now for memberships. They expelled seven members for non-payment of dues. He also installed officers elect for the ensuing year. He reports the division financially in good condition.

Bro. F. Rosencranz, D. D. G. C. C., Eastern District New York, reports that the two divisions under his jurisdiction, Nos. 52 and 54, which he visited as often as possible, are both in a healthy and flourishing condition. Division No. 52 has increased seven in membership and has expelled seven. Division No. 54 has expelled seven and increased six, and the remaining brothers in both divisions are solid, earnest workers for the Order. He granted one dispensation to Division No. 52, to propose, elect, and confer the degrees at the same meeting, in a case of emergency, to Mr. Ira F. Smith, well known by No. 52, who wished to go West and wished to become a member of the Order before leaving Port Jervis, N. Y.

John Clark, D. D. G. C. C., District of Missouri, reports that he granted a dispensation December 24th, 1879, to Moberly Division, No. 49, to hold their meetings when convenient and practicable, further to combine the offices of secretary and treasurer. Also, on March 13th, 1880, he issued a dispensation to Queen City Division, No. 60, to combine the offices of secretary and treasurer. He also granted a dispensation to Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, on March 14th, 1880, to hold their meeting when convenient and practicable; further to combine the offices of secretary and treasurer, and to elect and confer the degrees at the same meeting upon four new members. He also stated that he visited Division No. 60 on March 13th, 1880, and had a good meeting. Found them needing instruction on work.

March 14th he visited Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, and could not get a quorum, and they had no prospects of a meeting. He found the C. C. and secretary, instructed them in the work, and told them if they would make an effort he would give them the above dispensation, as the parties named were ready to join when they could have an opportunity.

Division No. 60 had many difficulties in reorganizing the division with so few members and they scattered. They are all O. K. now.

He had tried hard until May 1st, 1880, to organize a division at St. Louis. He then wrote the G. C. C. that if he could devote all of his time for about eight or ten days, that he could succeed in organizing a division there. He worked eleven days in working up and organizing Division No. 3, with 23 charter members.

He also reports that Divisions Nos. 3, 32, 49, 55 and 60, of Missouri District, are all in good working order, and will be represented at the Thirtieth Annual Session of the G. D.

Increase of divisions, two (2) in District of Missouri.

Bro. E. G. Whitman, D. D. G. C. C., Western District New York, reports that he organized Rochester Division, No. 8, with 12 charter members, at Rochester, N. Y., assisted by Bros. Jackman and Hatch, and made a strong attempt for the reorganizing of Division No. 8, but with no effect, and it may be accomplished yet. It will take some work and time, which he is not able to spend, with installation of the officers of Buffalo Division, No. 2, is his official work for the year 1880. He also states that if it had not been for Section 5, Article 4, he would have gone to visit Divisions Nos. 9 and 10, to install their officers.

Bro. W. J. Jackman, D. D. G. C. C., for Dominion of Canada, reports that on the 17th day of August, 1880, he went to St. Thomas, Canada, and spent two days in visiting and trying to get up an interest for a division of our Order in the Dominion. He met a number of conductors belonging to the G. W. and C. S. Railways of Canada, and the result has been most favorable for our Order. Tuesday, October 1st, 1880, in company with Bros. E. G. Whitman, D. D. G. C. C., of the Western District New York, and H. S. Chapman, P. C. C., of Buffalo Division, No. 2, they organized a division at St. Thomas, Canada, with 51 charter members. Their name is Union Division, No. 13. To the memory of the founders of this Order he dedicated this division, and in the name of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors he constituted them into a regular division of the Order of Railway Conductors.

Bro. J. R. Roberts, Special D. D. G. C. C. to organize a division at Quincy, Illinois, reports that after making inquiry of Bro. C. A. Stanchfield, who is well acquainted at Quincy, he found it impossible to do anything at present.

John F. Adams, D. D. G. C. C., Eastern District Wyoming Territory, reports that Division No. 43 has not held a meeting for over a year. They still hold their charter and wish to reorganize; but business on their road makes it impossible, there being so few members. They have money in the hands of the Treasurer to pay all their dues, and will do so if they ever succeed in getting enough together to hold a meeting, and if successful in holding a meeting by the 19th inst. they will send a delegate to the "G. D." There are several conductors running into Cheyenne who are anxious to join No. 43 whenever they get started again. He found No. 46 closed and charter returned some two and a half years ago. At its closing they had over \$200 in their treasury. They did not remit this to the G. D., which they should have done, but divided it between the members, each member receiving his portion, which amounted to about \$10 each.

Most of the old members are loyal and would like to have a division again if business would allow of their holding meetings. This is impossible, and is the only reason for closing as they did.

C. S. Wheaton, Special D. D. G. C. C., to visit Division No. 10, Boston, Mass., reports that he repaired to Waverly, N. Y., and found Division No. 10 somewhat discouraged as they had not held a meeting in some time; but at this meeting they numbered ten, and were all determined to hold their charter and work. They elected officers and did the regular business of the day. Since then they have met regularly and are doing finely. Many brothers of No. 9 accompanied him on the visit. By request and direction of your G. D. C., he repaired to New York and accompanied the G. C. C. to Boston, Mass., in place of E. L. Meader, the regular appointee, who was stricken with paralysis. We arrived Monday morning and visited the general offices of the Boston & Maine Railway. After a pleasant interview with Mr. James W. Furber, General Manager, were introduced by him to the conductors of the above named road. We stated our object and received every encouragement that they would soon embrace the matter. Returning via Providence to New York we visited the general offices of the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. and the N. Y. & H. R. R., where we met Mr. C. C. W. Bissel, General Superintendent of the N. Y. & H. R. R. Stated the object of our visit, and after a pleasant interview, he stated that he as General Superintendent of the N. Y. & H. R. R. did not object to his conductors becoming members of the Order. Mr. Toucey, General Superintendent of the N. Y. C. & H. R. R., was absent, but he was authorized to say that he had no objection, and would rather prefer that his men would belong to the Order of Railway Conductors. In making this trip he spent three days loss of time at \$3 per day.

Although the D. D. G. C. C., for the district of Texas made no report, I learn from Bro. Meehan, Delegate from Alamo Division, No. 59, that they have during the year initiated seven, expelled three, and now have thirty-seven members in good standing. They own a fine hall, which you are requested to dedicate. It is all paid for, insured for \$2,000, and they own other property valued at \$1,500, and are in every way in a prosperous and flourishing condition, and I sincerely hope other divisions may emulate them in their good work.

The following State and District Deputy Grand Chief Conductors, numbering seventeen, have failed to comply with Article 4, Section 4, Constitution, so far as reporting to the Grand Chief Conductor all business transacted by them at least thirty days before the meeting of the Grand Division.

New York,	{ Northern Dist.,	Bro. A. S. Knapp, No. 9, Elmira, N. Y.
	{ Southern	" " M. S. Hoadley, No. 10, Waverly, N. Y.
Pennsylvania,	Western	" " E. B. Hunt, No. 32, Meadville, Pa.
Vermont,	State	" " C. H. McCarroll, No. 24, St. Albans, Vt.
West Virginia,	State	" " James S. Dunn, No. 6, Keyser, W. Va.
Texas,	State	" " J. W. Keefer, No. 57, Dallas, Texas.
Ohio,	{ Western	" " J. L. Riggs, No. 33, Chillicothe, Ohio.
	{ Southern	" " G. A. Manley, No. 33, Chillicothe, Ohio.
Illinois,	Southern	" " D. Breidenstein, No. 38, Beardstown, Ill.

Illinois,	Western Dist.,	Bro. C. E. Austin, No. 49, Moberly, Missouri.
Wisconsin,	State	" " John N. Robinson, No. 38, Menasha, Wis.
Iowa,	Southern	" " C. A. Stanchfield, No. 21, Creston, Iowa.
Nebraska,	State,	" " Harry Gilmore, No. 35, Omaha, Neb.
Colorado,	State,	" " Fred. C. Farmer, No. 44, Denver, Col.
Wy'ing Terr'y,	Western	" " Geo. McIntosh, No. 45, Ogden, Utah.
Nevada	" State	" " J. W. Putnam, No. 56, Wadsworth, Nev.
Utah	" Territory,	" " Geo. McIntosh, No. 45, Ogden, Utah.

I can not, under the laws of the Order, help reprimanding them for not taking more interest in the work, and making a report that would render to this session of the Grand Division all the business for which you are assembled in this hall for the purpose of ascertaining.

APPOINTMENTS.

October 22d, 1879, I appointed Bro. Herman, of Division No. 35, a Special D. G. C. C., to visit St. Paul and Minneapolis in company with the A. G. C. C.

Fred. A. Austin, Division No. 49, Moberly, Mo., to visit Division No. 19, at Bloomington, Ill., and Bros. E. L. Meader, and J. B. Morford, to visit Boston, Mass.

November 8th, I appointed all of my D. D. G. C. C.'s and forwarded the names of each Deputy to the Port Jervis *Gazette* for publication, which appeared in print on the 14th of November, and has been on each issue of the weekly up to this present time. The *Gazette* was selected by your G. C. C. as our Organ for the year 1880, at no expense to the Grand Division.

November 25th, I appointed Bro. J. W. Jackman, Special D. G. C. C., to visit Canada for the purpose of organizing a division at St. Thomas.

November 29th, I appointed Bro. F. Chas. Aechternacht, D. D. G. C. C., of Kansas State, in place of E. F. Seymour, who failed to acknowledge receipt of his appointment of October 22d, 1879.

January 25th, 1880, I appointed Bro. J. R. Roberts D. G. C. C., to organize a division of the Order at Quincy, Ill.

February 21st, I appointed Bro. C. A. Stanchfield, *vice* Samuel Herman, resigned, to visit St. Paul and Minneapolis.

March 15th, I appointed Bro. C. S. Wheaton, Special D. G. C. C., to visit Boston, Mass., *vice* Bro. E. L. Meader, resigned on account of receiving a stroke of paralysis.

March 25th, I appointed Bro. Wm. P. Daniels Special D. G. C. C., to organize a division of the Order at Boone, Iowa.

May 2d, I appointed Bro. L. R. Carver Committee on the Revision of the Ritual, *vice* Bro. C. S. Wheaton, resigned.

May 31st, I appointed Bro. John Clark Special D. G. C. C. for the period of ten (10) days, to organize a division of the Order at St. Louis, Mo.

June 22d, I appointed Bro. Alex. B. Murphy, of Division No. 55, Special D. G. C. C., to visit Philadelphia and obtain the effects of old Philadelphia, No. 18.

September 16th, I appointed Bro. W. C. Allen, Assistant Grand Secretary and Treasurer, to assist Bro. W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T., in the discharge of his duties at St. Louis, Mo.

September 18th, I appointed Bro. A. B. Murphy, Special D. G. C. C., to reorganize Philadelphia Division, No. 18.

CIRCULARS.

October 20th, 1879, I issued Circular No. 1, to Railway Managers and Superintendents (see page 883, letter book.)

November 1st, I issued Circular No. 2, to all officers and brothers, Order of Railway Conductors. (See pages 398 and 399 letter book and Port Jervis *Gazette*.)

November 1st, I issued Circular No. 3, to all D. D. G. C. C.s, and subordinate divisions, notifying them of their appointment for the ensuing year. (See page 385, letter book and Port Jervis *Gazette*.)

December 13th, I issued Circular No. 4, to all subordinate divisions, in reference to subscribers to the Port Jervis *Gazette* and Henry Ward Beecher's Sermons. (See page 559, letter book.)

January 27th, 1880, I issued Circular No. 5, to all subordinate divisions, in relation to the revision of the present Ritual. (See page 42, letter book.)

February 13th, I issued Circular No. 6, to secretaries of all subordinate divisions, in reference to the names to be inserted in the new charters. (See page 63, letter book.)

March 16th, I issued Circular No. 7, to all subordinate divisions, on the cost of inserting names in new charters. (See page 112, letter book.)

March 20th, I issued Circular No. 8, to all subordinate divisions, to the effect that Dallas Division, No. 57, would hereafter be known as Evergreen Division, No. 57. (See page 119, letter book.)

March 22d, I issued Circular No. 9, to all subordinate divisions, in relation to names for new charters. (See page 120, letter book.)

April 8th, I issued Circular No. 10, to all subordinate divisions, in reference to the organization of Rochester Division, No. 8. (See letter book, page 150.)

May 13th, I issued Circular No. 11, to all subordinate divisions, in relation to the appointment of L. R. Carver Committee on Ritual, *vice* C. S. Wheaton, resigned. (See page 185, letter book.)

August 12th, I issued Circular No. 12, to all subordinate divisions, changing the time of the thirteenth session of the Grand Division from first to third Tuesday in October, on account of the Missouri State Fair being held in the city of St. Louis the first week in October, 1880.

APPROVALS.

December 1st, 1879, I approved a Communication from Bro. W. P. Daniels to Bro. J. W. Dent, to arrest the charter of Susquehanna Division, No. 27, and forward all the effects, etc., to the G. S. and T.

March 30th, I approved a dispensation granted by Bro. Geo. F. McIntosh, for Wahsatch Division, No. 45, to hold specials at Ogden, Utah, for the period of sixty days, with the privilege of thirty days additional if necessary. (See Bro. McIntosh's letter, No. 239, of March 5th, 1880.)

April 5th, 1880, I approved the By-Laws of Neversink Division, No. 52.

May 1st, I approved the By-Laws of Moberly Division, No. 49.

REQUESTS.

May 17th, 1879, I wrote Bro. Garrison Coale, D. D. G. C. C., Western District Pennsylvania, that Bro. Daniel Lingle had surrendered the property of Iron City Division, No. 13, to him, and for him to forward the same to the G. S. and T. at once. Not complied with.

June 13th, I requested Bro. G. W. Lewis to forward the effects of Philadelphia Division, No. 18, that he held, to the G. S. & T., by express. Request not complied with.

November 19th, I requested Bro. George C. Newton, of Waterloo Division, No. 47, to forward the charter and property which he held of that division, to the G. S. and T. by express (see copy book, page 91), and on June 27th I wrote to him in regard to complying with my letter of November 19, 1879. (See letter in copy book, page 218.) No attention paid to any of the above requests

SUB-DIVISIONS VISITED.

I visited during the year Divisions Nos. 9, 52 and 54.

Installed the Officers of Divisions Nos. 9 and 54 for the ensuing year.

CORRESPONDENCE.

During the year 1880 I granted 22 dispensations, received 418 letters, wrote and copied 369 letters. No mention is made in this report of official correspondence, of which no copies were retained, or official circulars issued.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

You are all conversant with the Constitution to govern the Grand Division; the first Tuesday of October, each year, provides for holding of the Grand Division, but owing to the Missouri State Fair being held in this city the first week in October, the accommodations not being suitable for the many who would attend, I changed the time from the first to the third Tuesday. (See Circular No. 13 attached.)

I, as Grand Chief Conductor, respectfully recommend that you request the G. S. and T. to present a statement of all the debt of the Order up to October 1st, 1880, and you order a per capita assessment that shall pay off the said debt on or before January 1st, 1881.

I also recommend that you take some action in regard to Bro. G. C. Newton, D. G. C. C., State of Iowa, for refusing to account for the property of Waterloo Division, No. 47. Also Bros. G. Coale and G. W. Lewis, for neglecting to turn over the property held by them as directed by me.

I further recommend, as at the last session of the Grand Division held in New York, that all your acts while in this Session be governed by a feeling of brotherly love and strict sense of the responsibility of your position, bearing in mind that the eyes of your associate brothers and the world at large are upon you. Let all your acts be governed by temperance and charity. Let economy be the study of all, and let it be said of us, that our every act assisted in the success of our noble Order. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN B. MORFORD, G. C. C.

GRAND DIVISION ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS, IN ACCOUNT WITH
JOHN B. MORFORD, G. C. C.

		Dr.	Cr.
1879.			
Oct. 10	To balance due on yearly statement.....	\$12 92	
" 10	" personal expenses attending G. D. Order, No. 2.....	16 00	
" 10	" balance, Order No. 22.....	38 55	
" 10	By cash.....		\$6 92
" 13	To two (2) messages (Roselle to Philadelphia) ..	58	
" 17	" postage stamps.....	1 65	
" 21	To one box gilt seals.....	37	
" 23	" express on Regalias and packing, etc., to Buffalo, N. Y.....	1 00	
" 25	By cash.....		38 55
" 30	To letter to Wm. H. Vanderbilt.....	12	
" 31	" fifty postal cards.....	50	
Nov. 5	" fifty one cent stamps.....	50	
" 6	" two quires and a half of legal cap.....	43	
" 10	" return of G. D. seal by American Express from G. S. and T.....	55	
" 10	" postage due on letter to G. C. C. and E. H. Robinson.....	06	
" 14	" postage stamps.....	1 00	
Dec. 2	By Order No. 2, cash, personal expenses.....		16 00
" 2	" cash to balance account.....		6 00
" 9	To postage on letters to G. C. C. and postage stamps.....	2 04	
" 11	" Order No. 7, salary.....	250 00	
1880.			
Jan. 1	To P. O. Box No. 644, January 1st to March 31st,	4 00	
" 1	" one letter book, 500 pages, 10x12.....	2 00	

1879		Dr.	Cr.
Jan.	16 To telegram from W. P. Daniels, West Liberty, Iowa.....	\$1 49	
"	21 By cash for W. P. Daniels, West Liberty, Iowa.....		\$1 49
"	26 " cash for card from Bro. A. B. Murphy, No. 18.....		1 00
"	31 " cash for card from Bro. F. E. Ketchum, No. 47.....		1 00
Feb.	4 To postage stamps.....	50	
"	5 By Grand dues, Division No. 54.....		44 00
"	21 To postage stamps.....	45	
Mch.	9 " postage stamps.....	99	
"	10 " 500 envelopes.....	1 50	
"	13 By cash from Bro. C. E. Austin, Division No. 49, charter.....		5 00
"	15 " P. O. order from Bro. S. Brown, Division No. 31, charter.....		5 00
"	17 " P. O. order from Bro. E. G. Whitman, on account Division No. 8.....		10 00
"	27 To postage stamps.....	79	
Apr.	1 " postage stamps.....	60	
"	1 " P. O. box No. 644, April 1 to June 30.....	4 00	
"	16 " one box gilt seals.....	37	
"	28 " postage stamps.....	90	
"	30 " cash paid Endicott & Co., on Order No. 10, lithograph for charters.....	20 00	
May	6 By cash for card from Bro. Carnahan, No. 23....		1 00
"	6 " cash from Bro. Samuel Phipps, new charter No. 37.....		5 00
"	6 " draft for Endicott & Co.....		103 40
"	6 To draft paid Endicott & Co.....	103 40	
"	17 " postage stamps.....	60	
"	29 By cash for card H. H. Berkheimer, No. 27.....		1 00
June	28 To postage stamps.....	60	
July	7 " P. O. box No. 644, July 1, to September 20..	4 00	
"	23 By cash for card from Bro. Wm. P. Lawrence, No. 18.....		1 00
Aug.	19 " cash for card from Bro. E. A. Murta, No. 18.....		1 00
"	19 To postage stamps.....	1 00	
Sept.	2 " postage stamps.....	51	
"	7 By cash for card from Bro. J. C. W. Long, No. 23.....		1 00
"	7 " cash for card from Bro. L. M. Blakesbly, No. 23.....		1 00
"	15 To 500 copies Beecher Sermons and Constitution sent to various R. R. officials, No. 15....	37 50	
"	16 " postage stamps.....	96	
"	29 " rollers for charters.....	96	
"	29 " extra postage on 49 letters received.....	1 50	
Oct.	1 " P. O. box No. 644, Oct. 1 to Dec. 31.....	4 00	

1880.		DR.	CR.
Oct.	5 To postage stamps.....	\$0 30	
"	9 " " postage stamps.....	32	
"	9 " " expenses to Boston in company with Bro. Wheaton.....	9 00	
		<hr/> \$528 51	<hr/> \$249 36

Referred to committee on same, motion of Bro. Wheaton.

G. S. and T. Daniels then read his report for the year as follows:

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers :

In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, I herewith present you my Second Annual Report as your Grand Secretary and Treasurer, and I am highly gratified to be able to congratulate you on the continued prosperity of the Order. There has been during the year an increase in membership, while the accompanying balance sheet shows a continuance of the favorable exhibit of last year in our finances.

MAGAZINE ACCOUNTS.

As soon as possible after my return from the Grand Division last fall, I notified the divisions interested of the action of the Grand Division in regard to the delinquent magazine accounts and requested them to forward me certified statements of the same. Owing to the failure of Divisions 1, 5, 6, 15, 20 and 41 to comply with this request, our books are still encumbered by a part of these accounts.

DELINQUENT REPORTS.

February 20th, I received and placed on file the annual report of Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, for the year ending September 30th, 1879, with all dues, said report showing nine members in good standing.

March 1st I, received and placed on file the annual report of Pyramid Division No. 56, for the year ending September 30th, 1879, with all dues, said report showing fifteen members in good standing.

The following divisions have failed to report for the year ending September 30th, 1879, and the charter of all but No. 43, have been arrested by order of G. C. C.: Quincy, No. 17, Newark, Ohio; Wayne, No. 23, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Susquehanna, No. 27, Catawissa, Pa.; Rocky Mountain, No. 43, Cheyenne, W. T.

The following divisions have failed to report for the fiscal year ending September 30th, 1880: Berkeley, No. 6; Sunset, No. 7; Emporia, No. 11; Bloomington, No. 19; Creston, No. 21; Freeport, No. 25; Star, No. 31; Scioto, No. 33; Hawkeye, No. 41; Rocky Mountain, No. 43.

NEW DIVISIONS.

New divisions have been organized during the year as follows:

April 5th, by Bro. E. G. Whitman, Rochester, No. 8, at Rochester, N. Y., with twelve charter members.

July 11th, by Bro. John Clark, St. Louis, No. 3, at St. Louis, Mo., with twenty-three charter members.

August 8th, by Bro. F. C. Aechternacht, Emporia, No. 11, at Emporia, Kan., with seventeen charter members.

October 1st, by Bro. W. J. Jackman, Union, No. 13, at St. Thomas, Ont., with fifty charter members. This division, although organized since the close of the year, is included in this report as it will undoubtedly knock at our door for admission during this communication of the Grand Division.

PROPERTY OF DEFUNCT DIVISIONS.

I have received during the year the charters and property of the following divisions:

January 21st, Newburg, No. 16, from Bro. J. W. Rankin.

January 21st, Kansas City, No. 48, from Mr. J. McDearmon.

February 23d, Susquehanna, No. 27, from Bro. J. W. Dent.

February 28th, Caldwell, No. 26, from Bro. F. P. Van Cleaf.

April 15th, Wayne, No. 23, from Bro. J. C. W. Long.

April 29th, Quincy, No. 17, from Bro. T. S. Kean.

September 11th, Monumental, No. 15, from Bro. Hy. Shew.

September 18th, Philadelphia, No. 18, from Bro. A. B. Murphy.

December 1st, 1879, I received the charter of Waterloo Division, No. 47, from Bro. G. C. Newton, who still holds all other property of that division. All my efforts to obtain the charters, etc., of Crestline, No. 8; Allegheny, No. 11; Iron City, No. 13; Gate City, No. 22; Renovo, No. 34; Central City, No. 39, and St. Louis, No. 50, have failed. The effects of Allegheny, No. 11, and Iron City, No. 13, were held by Bro. G. Coale, whose whereabouts is not now known. Of the others nothing whatever can be learned, and it will probably be a waste of postage to make any further effort in that direction.

INSURANCE.

Our Insurance Association, although having made much more progress during the past year than any heretofore, is not yet in a satisfactory condition, the percentage of forfeitures being very large, owing no doubt to the fact of three assessments coming very close together. The laws are defective in many instances, and I most urgently request your honorable body to give them a searching and thorough revision.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I would recommend that the Grand Secretary be authorized to procure a monogram tint block for Traveling, Withdrawal and Grand Division Cards, and that a sum not to exceed ten dollars be paid for engraving and electro-

typing the same. Also, that a sum not to exceed thirty-five dollars, be appropriated to procure a suitable desk for the use of the Grand Secretary, as a desk required by any private person is entirely inadequate to the needs of the office. Also, that the Grand Secretary be authorized to open a set of books for the insurance and keep its accounts separate from those of the Order, and to procure a suitable blank book for the registration of certificates. The old set of books used for magazine accounts can be utilized in this way.

SUMMARY.

The following is the general standing of the Order:

Number of working divisions.....	40
" " divisions reported.....	30
" " " failing to report.....	10
" " " organized during the year.....	4
" " " closed " " ".....	5
" " members in divisions reported Sept. 1, 1880.....	802
" " " non-reporting divisions Sept. 1, 1879....	248
" " " suspended and expelled.....	61
" " " deceased.....	9
" " " initiated and promoted.....	160
Present number of members.....	1050
Increase during the year.....	99

INSURANCE.

Number of members Sept. 1, 1879.....	104
" " " joined during the year.....	85
" " " forfeited " " ".....	30
" " " deaths.....	4
Present number of members.....	155

AMOUNTS PAID.

To heir of Bro. Timothy Sullivan, Buffalo Division, No. 2....	\$ 70 00
To heir of Bro. W. W. Terwilliger, Elmira Division, No. 9....	101 00
To heir of Bro. J. H. Turrell, Queen City Division, No. 60....	99 00
Total.....	\$270 00

Notice of Assessment No. 14, account of the death of Bro. D. A. Ritchie, who died Sept. 9, from losing a leg and arm by being run over by the cars, will be issued as soon as possible.

Again I have to thank you one and all with whom I have been brought into official relations during the year, for courtesies received, and request the same indulgence which was so freely extended last year.

With the best wishes for the happiness and prosperity, not only of the Order, but of each brother and all he holds dear, I remain as ever,

Yours sincerely in P. F.,

WM. P. DANIELS, G. S. & T.

WM. P. DANIELS, GRAND TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
GRAND DIVISION :

1879.		Dr.	Cr.
Oct.	9 To cash on hand.....	\$632 95	
"	10 " from Divisions 45, 51 and 24.....	15 00	
"	10 By paid J. H. Kimball.....		\$5 25
"	10 " Wm. Kilpatrick.....		5 00
"	10 " John B. Morford.....		6 92
"	10 " W. L. Collins.....		68 52
"	10 " J. C. W. Long.....		90 00
"	11 To cash from Divisions 38, 52 and 41.....	23 75	
"	25 " for two G. D. cards.....	2 00	
"	25 By paid orders 7 and 8, Rand, McNally & Co...		368 50
"	25 " " 22, J. B. Morford.....		38 55
"	25 " exchange on draft.....		25
Nov.	1 To cash from Division 42.....	6 25	
"	3 " for 33 insurance certificates.....	8 25	
"	3 By cash for one Hektograph.....		6 00
"	3 " for one pint copying fluid.....		75
"	4 " for recutting seal, J. B. M. and Execu- tive Committee.....		4 00
"	6 " for recutting seals, Division 38.....		2 00
"	6 " for 100 postal cards.....		1 00
"	9 To cash from Division 52.....	2 90	
"	21 " " 49.....	5 30	
"	21 By cash for one ream paper for circulars.....		3 60
"	21 " for one-fourth ream wrapping paper....		1 40
"	21 To cash from Division 4.....	5 00	
"	28 By cash for 500 circular envelopes, 1c stamps...		5 70
"	28 " for 500 letter envelopes, 3c stamps.....		16 20
Dec.	2 By paid J. W. Boyles on account.....		20 00
"	2 " order No. 1, M. B. Brown.....		11 00
"	2 " " 2, J. B. Morford.....		16 00
"	2 " J. B. Morford, balance on account.....		6 00
"	2 " exchange on drafts.....		40
"	11 To cash from Division 33.....	15 00	
"	13 " for four insurance certificates.....	1 00	
"	16 " from Divisions 32 and 60.....	3 30	
"	16 " for three insurance certificates.....	75	
"	18 " from Divisions 10, 31, 49 and 4.....	30 00	
"	20 " " 41 and 45.....	38 00	
"	23 " " 5.....	2 00	
"	27 " " 2, 52, 1, 37 and 49.....	88 00	
"	28 " for six insurance certificates.....	1 50	

1880.		Dr.	Cr.
Jan.	5 To cash for one insurance certificate.....	\$ 0 25	
"	5 " from Divisions 38, 41, 42, 54, 58 and 60..	83 00	
"	6 By paid order No. 8, J. Windolph.....		\$20 00
"	6 To cash from Division 32.....	2 00	
"	6 By exchange on draft to Windolph.....		10
"	8 To cash from Division 41.....	17 25	
"	9 " " 14 and 23.....	27 00	
"	10 " " 10 and 52.....	7 00	
"	10 By cash for recutting seal, Division 19.....		2 00
"	15 To cash from Division 51.....	16 00	
"	20 " " 35.....	35 63	
"	20 By paid note in favor of I. N. Pardee.....		156 00
"	20 " exchange on draft.....		10
"	21 To cash from Division 57.....	11 00	
"	21 By ex. charges on box from Martinsburg		85
"	24 To cash from Divisions 2 and 24.....	16 50	
"	30 " " 6, 9, 37 and 45	113 75	
Feb.	9 " " 23, 35, 55 and 59.....	44 75	
"	10 " " 5 and 20.....	33 00	
"	10 By paid insurance claim No. 11.....		70 00
"	10 By exchange on draft.....		10
"	14 To cash from Division 19.....	10 00	
"	17 " " 15.....	9 00	
"	23 " " 23, 32, 33 and 52.....	61 00	
"	23 By paid express charges on box from Catawissa,		1 55
Mch.	1 To cash from Division 14.....	21 00	
"	4 " " 56 and 21.....	14 25	
"	4 By paid order No. 9, Repub. Printing Co.....		95 00
"	15 " for recutting seal, G. S. and T.....		2 00
"	16 To cash from Division 57.....	8 00	
"	16 By paid for seal wafers.....		50
"	18 " for 20 blank books.....		29 50
"	19 To cash from Division 34.....	5 00	
"	20 " " 9.....	26 00	
"	20 By paid for two reams of letter heads.....		9 25
"	20 " W. L. Collins, on account.....		26 00
"	23 To cash from Division 58	10 00	
"	23 By paid order No. 6, W. P. D.....		49 50
"	23 " J. W. Boyles, balance account.....		53 10
"	25 To cash from Division 60.....	8 00	
April	1 " " 38, 55 and 2.....	53 90	
"	1 " for one insurance certificate.	25	
"	6 " from Division 41.....	5 50	
"	8 " " 51 and 12.....	44 00	
"	8 By paid on order No. 10, Endicott & Co.....		100 00
"	8 " exchange on draft.....		25

1880		Dr.	Cr.
April 10	To cash from Division 8.....	\$25 05	
" 10	By paid for recutting seal for Division 8.....		\$2 00
" 15	To cash from Divisions 49, 1 and 35.....	13 00	
" 15	By paid insurance claim No. 12.....		101 00
" 15	" " " 13.....		99 00
" 15	" exchange on two drafts.....		35
" 15	" for recutting seal, Division 57.....		2 00
" 26	To cash from Divisions 5, 8, 21 and 49.....	35 00	
" 26	By paid on order No. 10, Endicott & Co.....		20 00
May 1	To cash from Divisions 14, 38 and 42.....	14 50	
" 1	By paid balance order No. 10, Endicott & Co..		103 40
June 1	By exchange on draft.....		25
" 1	To cash for one Grand Division card.....	1 00	
" 3	" for three " ".....	3 00	
" 3	" for supplies.....	3 50	
" 3	" for fourteen insurance certificates.....	3 50	
" 4	" from Division 37.....	5 00	
" 4	By paid on order No. 7, J. B. Morford.....		5 00
" 19	To cash from Divisions 55 and 3.....	33 75	
" 27	" " 44.....	3 25	
July 10	" " 58.....	3 00	
" 10	By paid J. C. W. Long on account.....		50 00
" 19	To cash for one insurance certificate.....	25	
" 19	" for supplies.....	1 75	
" 19	" from Division 42.....	6 00	
" 19	By paid W. L. Collins, on account.....		50 00
" 19	By exchange on draft.....		25
" 31	By paid for seal for Division 3.....		5 00
Aug. 30	To cash for supplies.....	3 00	
" 30	" for three insurance certificates.....	75	
" 30	By paid express charges on box from Catawissa,		1 80
" 30	" for 150 note circulars.....		1 50
" 30	" for 50 stamped envelopes, 3c.....		1 60
" 30	" for 50 1c stamps.....		50
" 30	" for 50 large envelopes.....		30
Sept. 13	" for four badges.....		2 00
" 13	To cash from Divisions 3 and 58.....	15 40	
" 20	" from express charges refunded.....	1 80	
" 20	" from Division No. 11.....	32 90	
" 23	" from J. B. M. for charter for No. 13....	15 00	
" 30	" for 1,000 certificates of membership....		15 00
" 30	" for express charges, box from No. 17....		65
" 30	" " " " 18....		1 00
Oct. 1	" on hand.....		29 14
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		\$1,784 38	\$1,784 38

Grand Division in account with	Dr.	Cr.
To J. C. W. Long.....	\$174 35	
To Wm. L. Collins.....	158 00	
To bills payable	451 65	
{ Order No. 5 to W. P. Daniels.....	\$250 00	
{ Balance on order No. 7, to J. B. Morford.....	201 00	
{ Order No. 8, to John Clark.....	65	
To amounts overpaid by sundry divisions.....	22 95	
By due from V. P. Duffs.....		\$ 7 50
By due from F. D. Crane.		15 00
By due from J. T. Adams.....		12 00
By due from Divisions account, Grand dues, etc... ..		587 70
Probable deficit.....		184 75
Total.....	\$806 95	\$806 95

Included in the amounts due to the Grand Division is about \$63.00 for magazines that probably never will be paid, which will increase the deficit to \$247.75.

Referred to Committee on Finance on motion of Bro. Herman.

Resolution No. 6, by Bro. Chapman, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 7, by Bro. Slair, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 8, by Bro. Dunn, adopted under suspension of rules :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary is hereby instructed to furnish the city press with such information as is proper to publish.

Resolution No. 9, Bro. Dunn, referred to Committee on Finance.

Resolution No. 10, Bro. Dunn, referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 11, Bro. Wheaton, adopted under suspension of rules .

Resolved, That no member shall speak more than twice on any question and only five minutes at a time, unless by general consent.

Resolution No. 12, by Bro. Herman, lost.

Resolution No. 13, by Bro. Rosencranz, referred to Committee on Insurance.

Resolution No. 14, by Bro. Morrill, adopted under suspension of rules :

Resolved, That Lone Star Division, No. 53, be permitted to meet twice a month at any time deemed most practicable for the benefit of the Division.

Resolution No. 15, by Bro. Brown, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 16, by Bro. Wheaton, rules suspended and question on adoption made special order for the opening hour to-morrow.

Recess at 6:30 P. M.

SECOND DAY.—MORNING.

OCTOBER 20, 1880.

Grand Division called to order by G. C. C. Morford, at 9:30 A. M.

C. A. Stanchfield, delegate from Division 21, admitted.

In accordance with special order, discussion on adoption of Resolution No. 16 resumed. Motion to adopt lost.

Resolution No. 17, by Bro. Chapman, referred to a special committee consisting of Bros. Herman, Jackman and Slair, on motion of Bro. Wheaton.

Brothers C. H. Shipman, G. W. Dwinell and John F. Adams, delegates from Divisions Nos. 10, 44 and 45 respectively, presented their credentials and were admitted.

Resolution No. 18, by Bro. Collins, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 19, by Bro. Collins, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 20, by Bro. Kimball, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Communications from the publishers of the *New Jersey Journal*, the *Port Jervis Gazette* and *The Railroader*, each requesting the Grand Division to adopt their paper as the official organ of the Order, were read, and on motion of Bro. Ryan, referred to a special committee of three; G. C. C. appointed as such committee Bros. Ryan, Wheaton and Whissen.

Resolution No. 21, by Bro. Slair, adopted under suspension of rules:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to draft resolutions of respect to the memory of our late Bro. J. H. Turrell.

G. C. C. appointed as such committee Bros. Long, Slair and Chapman.

Resolution No. 22, by Bro. Fitzgerald, adopted under suspension of rules:

Resolved, That the Grand Division take a recess at 12 M. to-morrow and visit the Merchants' Exchange.

Resolution No. 23, by Bro. Wheaton, adopted under suspension of rules:

WHEREAS, Our financial standing is improving each year, and by strict retrenchment we can have a balance in our treasury at the next session of this Grand Division, therefore be it

Resolved, That we will not reprint either the Constitution or Ritual during the coming year, and that the number of proceedings shall not exceed 500 copies.

Resolution No. 24, by Bro. Collins, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Report of Insurance Committee read as follows:

ST. LOUIS, October 19th, 1880.

To the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors :

We, the undersigned Committee on Insurance, herewith present to your honorable body our annual report for the fiscal year ending Oct. 19th, 1880.

The following deaths have occurred since our last annual convention, of which due notice has been received:

Nov. 19th, 1879.	J. H. Turrell,	Certificate No. 353,	Division No. 6.
" 11th, 1879.	W. W. Terwilliger,	" " 329,	" No. 9.
Sept. 9th, 1880.	D. A. Richie,	" " 331,	" No. 9.
Oct. 11th, 1880.	C. L. Vincent,	" " 355,	" No. 9.

After a careful investigation of all papers placed at our disposal, we ordered the Grand Secretary and Treasurer to make an assessment on each member of the insurance for the heirs of each of the above named members.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. C. W. LONG,
H. S. CHAPMAN,
I. F. DAVIDSON,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Shults, report was accepted.

Recess at 12:45.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division called to order at 2:30 P. M.

Report of the Special Committee on Revision of Ritual, appointed at the Twelfth Annual Session, read, and on motion of Bro. Stanchfield, referred to Special Committee on Revision of Constitution.

Resolution No. 25, by Bro. Adams, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Recess at 6:30 P. M.

THIRD DAY.—MORNING.

OCTOBER 21st, 1880

Grand Division called to order at 9:30 A. M.

E. O. Soule, delegate from Division No. 58, was admitted.

Resolution No. 26, by Bro. Wheaton, adopted.

Resolved, That the work of the Order be exemplified by this Grand Division at 2:30 this P. M.

Resolution No. 27, by Bro. Dewey, adopted.

Resolved, That the G. C. C. and G. S. and T. are hereby authorized to grant Grand Division cards to all members of the late Monumental Division No. 15, who present a letter signed by the C. C. and Secretary of Collins Division, No. 5, under the division seal, certifying that they were members in good standing when that division ceased working.

Special Committee on Revision of Constitution reported as follows :

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers :

We, your Special Committee, beg leave to make the following partial report :

We have carefully examined the accompanying Constitution and Statutes. Respectfully recommend that they be adopted as amended.

W. P. DANIELS,	J. H. KIMBALL,
JOHN CLARK,	H. S. CHAPMAN,
J. C. W. LONG,	C. S. WHEATON,
F. ROSENCRANZ,	L. R. CARVER,
F. C. AECHTERNACHT,	Committee.

Moved by Bro. Clark, that report be received and Constitution and Statutes referred to a Committee of the Whole. Adopted.

Moved by Bro. Long that the Grand Division now go into Committee of the Whole, with Bro. Wheaton in the chair. Adopted. Committee rose at 11:55 A. M. and reported progress made in the business assigned to it. Leave granted to sit again after the work is exemplified.

Recess at 12 M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division called to order at 2:30 P. M. Work on first and second degrees exemplified by the Grand Officers.

On motion of Bro. Long, Committee of the Whole resumed its sitting, with Bro. Herman in the chair.

Committee of the Whole rose at 6 P. M., reported progress made in the business assigned, and requested permission to sit again after the open session.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton that report be received, and request granted. Adopted.

Resolution No. 28, by Bro. Clark, adopted :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to draft resolutions of thanks for favors received.

G. C. C. appointed as such committee Brothers Wheaton, Fitzgerald and Ashton.

Recess at 6:30 P. M.

FOURTH DAY.—MORNING.

OCTOBER 22, 1880.

Grand Division called to order at 9:30 A. M.

Report of the Executive Committee read as follows :

Grand Officers and Brothers :

We, your Executive Committee, respectfully report as follows: We congratulate the Order upon the success of the past year and trust the coming years may be still more successful.

We promptly received a bond from Bro. W. P. Daniels, which was duly approved and is now held by your chairman.

There have been some matters during the year which have given the committee a great deal of trouble, but all have been satisfactorily adjusted, and at present we know of nothing detrimental to the success of the Order.

C. S. WHEATON,
SAM. A. HERMAN,
C. R. ASHTON,

Executive Committee.

Report received.

Report of Committee on G. C. C.'s address read as follows :

Grand Officers and Brothers :

Your Committee on Grand Chief Conductor's address beg leave to submit the following report and recommendations :

We would recommend the financial account of the G. C. C. be referred to the Finance Committee.

We would further recommend that this Grand Division legalize all dispensations granted by the G. C. C. and his deputies during the year.

We concur with the G. C. C. in recommending that some action be taken during this session of the Grand Division, in regard to Bros. Geo. C. Newton and G. Coale for neglecting to comply with his orders to turn over to the G. S. and T. the property of Divisions Nos. 11, 13 and 47.

We would also recommend that the G. C. C. and G. S. and T., for the ensuing year, use every endeavor to recover the charters and property of Divisions Nos. 11, 13 and 47. All of which is respectfully submitted.

F. ROSENCRANZ,
M. RYAN,
JOHN CLARK,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Kimball, report received and recommendations concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Wheaton, the G. C. C. was ordered to refuse a G. D. card to Bros. Geo. C. Newton and C. Coale, until they have fully complied with orders in regard to division property held by them.

Report on Committee on Proposals from *New Jersey Journal*, *Port Jervis Gazette*, and *Railrouder*, read :

Grand Officers and Brothers :

We, your Committee, to whom was referred the proposals from the *New Jersey Journal*, *Port Jervis Gazette*, and *Railrouder*, respectfully submit that they are unable to agree upon any proposition, and therefore refer the matter submitted to them back to your honorable body without recommendation.

M. RYAN,
C. S. WHEATON,
J. C. WHISSEN,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, report accepted and proposals declined with thanks.

Report of committee appointed to draft resolutions in memory of Bro. J. H. Turrell, deceased, read as follows:

WHEREAS, It has pleased the Grand Chief Conductor of the Universe to call from his field of usefulness on earth, our esteemed Bro. James Henry Turrell, thereby severing our circle of unity and removing an honored member of the Grand Division; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Grand Division extend their sincere sympathies to the bereaved wife and children in this their hour of sorrow; and be it

Resolved, That the preamble and resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Grand Division, published in the organ of the Order, and a copy forwarded to Mrs. J. H. Turrell.

On motion of Bro. Clark, report adopted.

Report of special committee to whom was referred Resolution No. 17, providing for the establishment of a magazine, read:

Grand Officers and Brothers:

We, your committee, to whom was referred the subject of establishing a magazine, submit the following: That inasmuch as this Grand Division has declared for retrenchment and economy, we deem it inexpedient to enter upon the publication of a magazine at this time, and we recommend that the resolution be rejected.

SAM. A. HERMAN,
W. J. JACKMAN,
GEO. W. SLAIR,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Wheaton, report received, and recommendation concurred in.

Preliminary report of Committee on Finance read:

Grand Officers and Brothers:

We, your Finance Committee, respectfully submit the following: We have examined the accounts of the Grand Chief Conductor, and find that his expenses during the year have been..... \$87.64

There is also due him as balance on account for year ending

Sept. 30, 1879.....	12 92
Expenses attending Twelfth Grand Division	16 00
Balance on Order No. 22.....	38 55
Salary for year ending Sept. 30, 1879, Order No. 7	250 00

Total\$405 11

We find that he has received during the year just closed:

From the Grand Secretary and Treasurer.....	\$67 47
From Division No. 54.....	44 00
From Division No. 37.....	5 00
For Grand Division cards.....	8 00
From W. U. Telegraph Co., charges refunded.....	1 49
Total	\$125 96

Leaving a balance due him of \$279.15, which we recommend be paid as soon as possible.

We have examined the books of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, and find them correct, except the amount of \$32.00 received by him from Division No. 17 and not credited.

The amounts due from the following individuals for magazines:

V. P. Duffs.....	\$ 7 50
F. D. Cram	15 00
Jno. F. Adams.....	12 00
Total	\$34 50

We would refer to your honorable body for your action and disposition.

We find there is due for past services to

P. G. C. C. Collins.....	\$158 00
P. G. S. and T. Long.....	174 35

which your committee trusts will be paid at once if possible.

We find there is due on outstanding orders, besides Order No. 7, to Jno. B. Morford, as follows:

Wm. P. Daniels.....	\$250 00
John Clark.....	65
Total	\$250 65

which your committee recommend be paid as soon as possible.

The amount of \$22.95 reported as having been overpaid by sundry divisions, we recommend be placed to the credit of their respective accounts.

We find the expenses of the Grand Executive Committee for the past year has been ten dollars, and we recommend that an order be drawn for the amount.

We recommend that the Grand dues for the ensuing year be \$1.00 per capita, and earnestly request that all divisions that can do so, will advance

their Grand dues to G. S. and T. on or before January 1st, 1881, in order that our indebtedness may be paid soon as possible, and we are unanimously of the opinion that with reasonable economy during the year its close will find us with a balance in the treasury, and that a material reduction can then be made in the Grand dues.

We recommend the payment of the bill of Parsons & Co. of \$15.00 for badges furnished the Grand Division.

We recommend that the sum of \$10.00 be appropriated to purchase a monogram tint block as recommended by the G. S. and T.

We deem it inexpedient to make any appropriation for a desk for the Grand Secretary's office at this time.

We recommend the payment of two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) each to J. B. Morford, G. C. C., and W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T., as salary for the year just closed.

All of which we respectfully present to your Grand Body for your consideration.

SAM. A. HERMAN,
L. R. CARVER,
M. C. MEEHAN,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Wheaton, report received and recommendations concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Wheaton, the Grand Secretary was ordered to expunge from the books all balances against persons or divisions for magazines.

Report of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws:

Grand Officers and Brothers:

We, your Committee on Constitution and By-Laws, recommend the adoption of Resolutions Numbers—

6. *Resolved*, That the G. S. and T. shall keep a record of all brothers who have served as G. C. C.; also of all brothers who have been members of four consecutive sessions of the Grand Division, and thirty days before each regular session of the Grand Division, make out and forward to all such brothers a credential properly signed and sealed, but should any such brother be suspended or expelled from the Order, they shall not retain their standing in the Grand Division, unless properly restored.

7. *Resolved*, That divisions shall have the right to make any member of their division, any honorary member exempt from the payment of dues except Grand dues.

We further recommend that Section 14 of Article 3, Constitution to

govern subordinate divisions, be amended by striking out the word "expelled" and inserting the word "suspended."

We would also recommend that Resolutions 8, 15, 18 and 19 be rejected.

H. S. CHAPMAN,
J. D. GERMAN,
G. W. SLAIR,
R. E. FITZGERALD,
J. C. W. LONG,

Committee.

We, the majority of your committee, further recommend that Resolution No. 20 be rejected.

J. D. GERMAN,
G. W. SLAIR,
R. E. FITZGERALD,
J. C. W. LONG,

of the Committee.

I, a member of your Committee, respectfully recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 20:

Resolved, That Section 1, Article 3, of the Constitution, be amended to read as follows: The Grand Division shall convene in Annual Session at such place as may be designated from time to time, on the first Tuesday in October, and all Grand Officers shall be elected for one year except the Executive Committee and the Past Grand Chief Conductor; the retiring Grand Chief Conductor shall fill the Past Grand Chief Conductor's chair, except in case of the re-election of the Grand Chief Conductor, when the Junior Past Grand Chief Conductor shall fill the Past Grand Chief Conductor's chair; the Junior Past Grand Chief Conductor shall perform the devotional exercises of the Grand Division.

H. S. CHAPMAN, of the Committee.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, report received.

On motion of Bro. Herman, the recommendations of full committee were concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Wheaton, the recommendations of minority of committee to adopt Resolution No. 20, were concurred in.

Report of Committee on Work:

Grand Officers and Brothers:

We, your Committee on Work, respectfully recommend the rejection of Resolution No. 10, referred to us.

W. L. COLLINS,
C. S. WHEATON,
F. C. AECHTERNACHT,
I. F. DAVIDSON,
J. H. KIMBALL,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Chapman, report received and recommendation concurred in.

Report of Special Committee on Revision of Constitution:

Grand Officers and Brothers:

We, your committee, to whom was referred a revision of the Constitution, Statutes, Rules of Order, Insurance Laws and Ritual, respectfully report that on account of lack of time we are unable to give the matter remaining in our hands a thorough examination, and request permission to report to the next regular session of the Grand Division.

W. P. DANIELS.	J. H. KIMBALL.
JNO. CLARK,	H. S. CHAPMAN,
J. C. W. LONG,	C. S. WHEATON,
F. ROSENCRAZ,	L. R. CARVER,
F. C. AECHTERNACHT.	Committee.

On motion of Bro. Davidson, report received and request granted.

Report of special committee appointed at the Twelfth Session of the Grand Division:

Grand Officers and Brothers:

We, your committee, appointed to investigate the matter of a brother loaning his credentials, respectfully report that they have made a thorough search, and have failed to find any evidence that such was the case.

SAM. A. HERMAN,
JNO. B. MORFORD,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Stanchfield, report received.

Resolution No. 29, by Bro. Long.

On motion of Bro. Chapman, Resolution No. 1 was suspended until 1:00 P. M., for consideration of Resolution No. 29. No action.

Recess at 1:00 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division called to order at 2:30 P. M.

Communication from Mr. G. H. Daniels, G. T. A., W. St. L. & P. Railway, and Mr. J. H. Lightner, President of the Merchants' Exchange, of St. Louis, were read and filed.

Resolution No. 30, by Bro. Daniels, rejected.

At three o'clock several visitors were introduced by the Reception Committee, and remarks were made by Bros. Wheaton and Herman, and Messrs. Crittenden and Lightner. Visitors retired and Grand Division declared ready for business at 4 P. M.

In accordance with special order the Committee of the Whole resumed its sitting with Bro. Herman in the chair.

Committee rose at 5 P. M. and reported, recommending that further action on the revision of the Constitution be deferred until the next regular session of the Grand Division.

On motion of Bro. Wheaton report received and approved.

Resolution No. 31, by Bro. Chapman, adopted :

Resolved, That the proposals of Matthews Bros. & Bryant, of the *Buffalo Express*, the Union Printing and Publishing Co., and Mr. John M. Ives, of Lockport, N. Y., and Messrs. Page, Taylor & Co., of Fort Wayne, Ind., for publishing a magazine, be received, placed on file and a vote of thanks tendered them ; also that all of the proposals be respectfully declined.

Communication from Mr. E. H. Talbott, requesting that the *Railway Age Monthly Magazine* be adopted by the Grand Division as the official organ of the Order, and offering if it be done, to furnish all magazines ordered through the Grand Secretary at \$1.25 per copy, and to publish free of charge addresses and official notices of the Order.

Resolution No. 32, by Bro. Ashton, adopted :

Resolved, That this Grand Division adopt *The Railway Age Monthly and Railway Service Magazine*, as the official organ of the Order, and all members are earnestly requested to procure all the subscribers possible at \$1.50 per annum to members of the Order, and they shall order all magazines of and forward all money to the Grand Secretary, who is hereby authorized to cover into the Grand Treasury all amounts in excess of \$1.25 for each copy ordered. When actually necessary to secure subscribers, subscriptions may be received from other than members of the Order at \$1.50 per annum, but when possible the full rate \$2.00 must be collected and forwarded to the Grand Secretary.

Resolution No. 33, by Bro. Dunn, rejected.

Resolution No. 34, by Bro. Stanchfield, adopted :

Resolved, That an invitation be extended through the press to all conductors running into St. Louis, with their wives, also the wives and friends of all members of the Order, to be present and witness the installation of Grand Officers at 2:30 P. M., to-morrow, October 23d.

Resolution No. 35, by Bro. Jackman, adopted :

Resolved, That brothers shall be required to give the password in addition to the degree word to the S. C. of C. when preparing to open the division.

Resolution No. 36, by Bro. Jackman, adopted :

Resolved, That before declaring the division regularly opened, the G. C. shall require the sign of the first and second degrees to be given in unison by all the members.

Resolution No. 37, by Bro. Kimball, adopted :

Resolved, That Section 15 of Article 3 of the Constitution to govern subordinate divisions, be amended by adding the following : Except a brother suspended for a definite time, shall at the expiration of the time of such suspension become a member in good standing of the division which suspended him without any action of such division.

Resolution No. 38, by Bro. Jackman, adopted :

Resolved, That the following shall be added to the order of business for divisions : "Does any brother present know of any brother or a member of any brother's family who is sick or in want ?"

Resolution No. 39, by Bro. Jackman, adopted :

Resolved, That the amount of benefit last paid shall be inserted in all notices of assessment for insurance.

Resolution No. 40, by Bro. Long, adopted .

Resolved, That Article 8, of the Insurance Association By-Laws, be stricken out and the following inserted : A fee of one dollar and twenty-five cents shall be paid by every person becoming a member of this association, said sum to be placed in the Grand Treasury when the certificate is issued, one dollar to be paid on the first call for death or disability, and twenty-five cents remaining in the Grand Treasury ; and be it further

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary shall issue a notice of assessment the same as in case of death, and the amount received on such assessment shall be held in trust by him to pay the first claim.

Resolution No. 41, by Bro. Chapman, adopted :

Resolved, That Article 9, of the By-Laws of the Insurance Association, be amended by striking out the word "appointed," and inserting the words "members of this association to be elected annually," in lieu thereof.

Resolution No. 42, by Bro. Long, adopted :

Resolved, That Article 10, of the By-Laws of the Insurance Association, be amended by striking out the words "any manual labor whereby he can maintain himself or family," and inserting the words "the duties of a conductor, provided the loss of a limb shall constitute such total disability," in lieu thereof.

Resolution No. 43, by Bro. Long, adopted.

Resolved, That Article 12, of the By-Laws of the Insurance Association, be amended by striking out the words "or" and "or both," in first paragraph, and inserting the word "and" in lieu of the word "or" between the words "paid" and "give."

Resolution No. 44, by Bro. Rosencranz, adopted:

Resolved, That conductors on elevated railroads, who have served one year as conductors on surface railroads, may be admitted as members of the Order.

Resolution No. 45, by Bro. Ryan, referred to Committee on Work.

A dedication service, prepared by G. C. C. Morford, to be used for dedicating halls, was adopted on motion of Bro. Wheaton.

On motion of Bro. Davidson, Resolution No. 1 was suspended and the Grand Division proceeded to the election of officers.

Several brothers were nominated for the office of Grand Chief Conductor, but all declined except Bro. Wheaton, who was nominated by Bro. Morford, and whose nomination was ably seconded by Bro. Herman, in a few well chosen remarks.

On the first ballot Bro. Wheaton received 21 votes, which being a majority of all votes cast, he was declared duly elected to the office of Grand Chief Conductor.

For Assistant Grand Chief Conductor, Bro. Fitzgerald was nominated by Bro. Morford, and Bro. Carver by Bro. Slair.

On first ballot Bro. Fitzgerald received 33 votes, which being a majority of all cast, he was declared duly elected A. G. C. C.

For Grand Secretary and Treasurer, Bro. Daniels was nominated by Bro. Chapman, and Bro. Long by Bro. Dunn.

On first ballot Bro. Daniels having received 25 votes, a majority of all cast, he was declared duly elected G. S. and T.

For Grand Senior Conductor of Ceremonies, Bro. Clark was nominated by Bro. Brown, Bro. Dewey by Bro. Davidson, and Bro. Jackman by Bro. Morford.

On third ballot Bro. Clark received 27 votes, which being a majority of all cast, he was declared duly elected G. S. C. of C.

For Grand Junior Conductor of Ceremonies, Bro. Jackman was nominated by Bro. Herman, Bro. Chapman by Bro. Long, Bro. Dewey by Bro. Davidson, Bro. Meehan by Bro. Morford, and Bro. Arnum by Bro. Adams.

On second ballot Bro. Jackman received 21 votes, which being a majority of all votes cast, he was declared duly elected G. J. C. of C.

For Grand Inside Sentinel, Bro. Arnum was nominated by Bro. Adams, Bro. German by Bro. Davidson, Bro. Brown by Bro. Wheaton, Bro. Chapman by Bro. Long, and Bro. Rosencranz by Bro. Ryan.

On second ballot Bro. Arnum received 23 votes, which being a majority of all cast, he was declared duly elected G. I. S.

For Grand Outside Sentinel, Bro. Chapman was nominated by Bro. Davidson, Bro. Adams by Bro. Collins, and Bro. Archer by Bro. Adams.

On second ballot Bro. Adams received 21 votes, which being a majority of all votes cast, he was declared duly elected G. O. S.

For member of Executive Committee, Bro. Meehan was nominated by Bro. Davidson, Bro. Chapman by Bro. Clark, Bro. Dunn by Bro. Herman, Bro. Long by Bro. Ashton, and Bro. Carver by Bro. Ryan.

On third ballot Bro. Chapman received 21 votes, which being a majority of all cast, he was declared duly elected member of the Executive Committee for three years.

For Insurance Committee, Bro. German was nominated by Bro. Davidson, Bro. Rosencranz by Bro. Chapman, Bro. Slair by Bro. Wheaton, Bro. Carver by Bro. Brown, Bro. Davidson by Bro. Adams, and Bro. Archer by Bro. Morrill.

Bros. Slair, Archer and Rosencranz having received the highest number of votes — 10, 8 and 7 respectively — they were declared duly elected members of the Insurance Committee.

For place of holding the next regular session of the Grand Division, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, was nominated by Bro. Soule; Buffalo, N. Y., by Bro. Herman; Cleveland, Ohio, by Bro. Adams; Denver, Col., by Bro. Dwinell, and Kansas City, Mo., by Bro. Aechternacht.

Buffalo, N. Y., receiving 21 votes, a majority of all cast, was selected.

Doors opened for public installation of officers at 2:30 P. M., when P. G. C. C. J. H. Kimball installed them in due form.

After installation, visitors retired and the Grand Division proceeded to business.

Report of Insurance Committee read :

Grand Officers and Brothers :

We, your Committee on Insurance, respectfully submit that we have examined and recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 13.

Resolved, That all applications for membership in our Insurance Association shall be accompanied by a physician's certificate that the applicant is in good health.

J. C. W. LONG,
H. S. CHAPMAN,
J. F. DAVIDSON,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Kimball, report was received and recommendation concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Morford, the Grand Secretary was instructed to fix the price and sell, if possible, all regalias returned by defunct divisions to date, and to pay Mrs. E. Chaney on account of amount due her from Division No. 15, the amount realized by sale of regalias returned by Division No. 15.

Final report of Committee on Finance :

Grand Officers and Brothers :

We, your Committee on Finance, have carefully examined the accompanying bill, presented to us by the G. S. and T., find it correct and recommend that an order be drawn for the amount.

GRAND DIVISION ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS, DR., TO W. P. DANIELS:

For expenses attending Grand Division—

Seven days, at \$2.90 per day.....	\$20 30
Seven days board, at \$2.00 per day.....	14 00
Total.....	<u>\$34 30</u>

We also recommend that five copies of the printed proceedings be sent to each division, to be the property of the division.

SAM. A. HERMAN,
L. R. CARVER,
BEN. ARNUM,
J. C. WHISSEN,
M. C. MEEHAN,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Long, report received and recommendations concurred in.

Bro. John B. Morford, in a few well chosen remarks, presented the Grand Division with one hundred dollars.

On motion of Bro. Chapman, the present was accepted, and the Grand Secretary was instructed to prepare a resolution of thanks, have the same suitably engrossed and framed, and forward it to Bro. Morford.

Report of Committee to draft resolutions of thanks :

Grand Officers and Brothers :

We, your Committee, appointed to draft resolutions of thanks to those to whom we are indebted for favors, respectfully submit the following :

WHEREAS, The Order of Railway Conductors have been the recipients of many favors from the several railway companies, transfer companies, the Western Union and American Telegraph companies, the Pullman Palace Car company, the press, and the Merchants' Exchange of St. Louis, therefore be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Body are hereby tendered to the above mentioned and all others from whom we have received favors, for their kindness and courtesy ; and be it further

Resolved, That our thanks are due and hereby proffered to the brothers of Divisions Nos. 3, 49, 59 and 60, for their ample programme for our entertainment and pleasure ; and be it further

Resolved, That the above preamble and resolutions be spread upon the minutes and printed in the city papers.

C. S. WHEATON,
C. R. ASHTON,
R. E. FITZGERALD,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Davidson, report approved.

In accordance with the request of Alamo Division, No. 59, G. C. C. Wheaton ordered a special session of the Grand Division to be held at Texarkana, Arkansas, Oct. 26th, at 8:30 P. M., for the purpose of dedicating the hall of Division No. 59.

There being no further business the Grand Division was closed in regular form at 5:00 P. M., by G. C. C. Wheaton.

CALVIN S. WHEATON,
Grand Chief Conductor.

WM. P. DANIELS.
Grand Secretary.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS
AT A
SPECIAL SÉSSION;
HELD IN THE CITY OF TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS,

OCTOBER 26, 1880.

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PROCEEDINGS

TEXARKANA, ARKANSAS, October 26, 1880.

The Grand Division met in special session at the Marquand Hotel, in Texarkana, Ark., for the purpose of dedicating the hall of Alamo Division, No. 59, and was regularly opened at 3:30 P. M., by G. C. C. C. S. with the following members present:

W. L. Collins, P. G. C. C.
J. B. Morford, P. G. C. C.
R. E. Fitzgerald, A. G. C. C.
Wm. P. Daniels, G. S. and T.
John Clark, G. S. C. of C.
S. A. Herman, G. J. C. of C., *pro tem.*
J. D. Shults, G. I. S., *pro tem.*
G. W. Slair, G. O. S., *pro tem.*
J. C. W. Long, permanent member.
H. S. Chapman, Ex. Committee.
E. A. Sadd, Division No. 1.
W. H. Hoover, Division No. 20.
W. C. Morrill, Division No. 53.
M. Ryan, Division No. 54.
F. C. Aechternacht, Division No. 55.
E. O. Soule, Division No. 58.
M. C. Meehan, Division No. 59.
A. G. Brown, Division No. 60.

And the following visiting members:

C. H. Gardiner, Division No. 2.
W. F. Bourne, Division No. 2.
L. B. Southwick, Division No. 2.
A. H. Wilson, Division No. 3.
Geo. J. Du Bois, Division No. 3.
L. P. Martin, Division No. 3.
A. T. Brown, Division No. 3.
J. S. Durner, Division No. 3.
C. A. Armacost, Division No. 5.
W. H. McElroy, Division No. 9.

W. H. Wilson, Division No. 14.
 J. R. Roberts, Division No. 38.
 W. Kellogg, Division No. 52.
 W. H. Faulkner, Division No. 52.
 Jno. F. Hodges, Division No. 53.
 J. E. Harnest, Division No. 53.
 J. P. Herrington, Division No. 55.
 W. R. Bell, Division No. 57.
 Geo. J. Mohler, Division No. 58.
 H. A. Wolcott, Division No. 58.

Bro. Clark being unwell, Bro. Chapman was appointed G. S. C. of C. *pro tem*.

The Grand Division then formed in procession and escorted by Alamo Division, No. 59, as follows:

M. C. Meehan, Past Chief Conductor.
 W. I. Allen, Chief Conductor.
 J. C. Weed, Asst. Chief Conductor.
 Thos. Billingslea, Secretary.
 J. N. Jones, Treasurer.
 W. H. Hurlless, Sr. C. of C.
 Jno. Morris, Jr. C. of C.
 Burr Hall, Inside Sentinel.
 Clark Hall, Outside Sentinel.
 Jas. Barnes, Color Bearer.
 J. L. Barber.
 Jas. A. Starling.
 A. P. James.
 Geo. E. Underwood,

proceeded to the hall, which was dedicated in due form, in the presence of a large assemblage of visitors, excellent music being furnished by the following choir: Prof. G. A. Hays, J. C. Whealdon, Mrs. C. L. Pitcher, Mrs. W. G. Cook, Mrs. G. E. Underwood, Mrs. W. I. Allen, and Prof. B. F. Marshall, organist.

Addresses were made by Bros. Allen, Wheaton, Herman and Morford, and Revs. H. R. Crockett and H. C. Dayhoff, of Moberly, Mo., after which the Grand Division returned to the Marquand Hotel and was regularly closed by G. C. C. Wheaton.

C. S. WHEATON,
 Grand Chief Conductor.

WM. P. DANIELS,
 Grand Secretary.

ADDRESS OF GRAND OFFICERS.

- P. G. C. C., John B. Morford, Pier 15, North River, New York City.
 G. C. C., Calvin S. Wheaton, No. 231 Mt. Zoar Street, Elmira, N. Y.
 A. G. C. C., Richard E. Fitzgerald, Missouri Pacific Railway, St. Louis,
 Mo.
 G. S. and T., William P. Daniels, Lock Box 154, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
 G. Sr. C. of C., John Clark, Box 116, Moberly, Mo.
 G. Jr. C. of C., W. Jackman, City Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y.
 G. I. S., Benj. Arnum, St. Thomas, Ontario.
 G. O. S., John F. Adams, Ogden, Utah.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

- Sam. A. Herman, Chairman, 420 Cass Street, Omaha, Neb. Term expires
 in October, 1881.
 Charles R. Ashton, U. P. Hotel, Council Bluffs, Iowa. Term expires
 October, 1882.
 Harrison S. Chapman, Box 1,227, Lockport, N. Y. Term expires
 October, 1883.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

- George W. Slair, Chairman, Elmira, N. Y.
 Frank Rosencranz, Port Jervis, N. Y.
 James H. Archer, Lock Box 155, Cleveland, Ohio.

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GRAND DIVISION
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AT THE
FOURTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION,

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OCTOBER 4, 1881.

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C. S. Wheaton

Grant Chief Conductor.

PROCEEDINGS.

NEW ERA HALL, BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1881.

The Grand Division met in regular session at New Era Hall, Buffalo, New York, and was called to order at 9:30 A. M. by G. C. C. Wheaton, with the following

OFFICERS PRESENT—John B. Morford, P. G. C. C.; R. E. Fitzgerald, A. G. C. C.; W. P. Daniels, G. S. and T.; W. J. Jackman, G. Jr. C. of C.

OFFICERS ABSENT—John Clark, G. Sr. C. of C.; Ben. Arnum, G. I. S., and John F. Adams, G. O. S.

G. C. C. Wheaton appointed the following Committee on Credentials: E. O. Soule, No. 58; W. A. Webster, No. 13, and John Mahan, No. 37.

The Committee on Credentials reported as follows:

Chicago Div., No. 1, J. C. W. Long.
Buffalo Div., No. 2, W. J. Jackman.
St. Louis Div., No. 3, B. A. Snow.
Houston Div., No. 7, W. H. George.
Rochester Div., No. 8, J. D. Shults.
Elmira Div., No. 9, W. M. Davey.
Emporia Div., No. 11, A. G. White.
Union Div., No. 13, W. A. Webster.
Cleveland Div., No. 14, A. J. Thieman.
Stratford Div., No. 15, A. J. Whittaker.
London Div., No. 16, J. Turnbull.
Toronto Div., No. 17, S. H. Defries.
Creston Div., No. 21, J. R. Hawkins.
Sylvania Div., No. 23, W. H. Berger.
Morford Div., No. 26, B. F. Galletin.
Arnum Div., No. 27, Jas. Ogilvie.
Wheaton Div., No. 28, W. L. Collins.
Randolph Div., No. 29, J. S. Randolph.
Ozark Div., No. 30, E. L. Fay.
Star Div., No. 31, J. R. Hawkins.
Delaware Div., No. 37, John Mahan.
Des Moines Div., No. 38, L. R. Carver.
St. Paul and Minn. Div., No. 40, Jas. A. Mitchell.
Trenton Div., No. 42, E. A. Stone.

Milwaukee Div., No. 46, T. C. Clifford.
 Moberly Div., No. 49, Seth Palmer.
 Neversink Div., No. 52, Frank Rosencranz.
 Lone Star Div., No. 53, J. C. McFarland.
 New York City Div., No. 54, M. Ryan.
 Kaw Valley Div., No. 55, F. C. Aechternacht.
 Evergreen Div., No. 57, W. R. Bell.
 Valley City Div., No. 58, E. O. Soule.
 Alamo Div., No. 59, W. H. Hurless.
 Queen City Div., No. 60, A. G. Brown.
 Chairman of Executive Committee, Sam. A. Herman.
 Member Executive Committee, Chas. R. Ashton.
 Chairman of Insurance Committee, Geo. W. Slair.
 Members of Insurance Committee, Frank Rosencranz, J. H. Archer.
 Permanent Members, W. L. Collins, L. R. Carver, C. S. Wheaton, C. R. Ashton, J. C. W. Long, I. F. Davidson.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

E. O. SOULE,
 W. A. WEBSTER,
 JOHN MAHAN,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Herman the report was adopted.

G. C. C. Wheaton made the following *pro tem* appointments: G. Sr. C. of C., L. R. Carver; G. I. S., A. G. Brown; G. O. S., J. C. McFarland.

The Grand Division was then opened in regular form and declared ready for business.

On motion of Bro. Morford, reading minutes of the last regular session was dispensed with, and they were approved as printed.

G. C. C. Wheaton appointed the Standing Committees as follows:

ON CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS—Rosencranz, 52; Shults, 8; Defries, 17; Hawkins, 31, and White, 11.

ON FINANCE—Carver, 38; Davey, 9; Stone, 42; George, 7, and Randolph, 29.

ON WORK—Collins, 28; Long, 1; Turnbull, 16; Brown, 60, and Hurless, 59.

G. C. C. Wheaton then presented his annual report, as follows:

ELMIRA, N. Y., Sept. 4, 1881.

To the Officers and Members of the Fourteenth Annual Session of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors:

BROTHERS—Again in the history of our noble Order we are permitted to assemble in Grand session; and as we come together again and greet each other we feel strengthened for the task before us. We have met

many times before, under nearly the same circumstances as now, but in *this* coming together we have but little to discourage and much to cheer those who are here to-day. Those who have labored for years for the benefit of our Order can come to-day and look with satisfaction upon the structure they have labored so faithfully to erect, as she stands to-day *firm* as the everlasting hills. The work of the last eight years has taught us, as an Order, many valuable lessons; I need not here enumerate them, as you are all more or less familiar with the struggles of this Order, to maintain its existence against the many enemies that have threatened her ruin; but a lesson of strict integrity, economy and brotherly love, have brought us thus on our journey, though dangers have surrounded us on every hand.

The Order of Railway Conductors has been progressing, rising to grapple with questions that have nearly wrecked larger and older organizations of a similar character; and showing those in authority over us that we believe we are *right* and are at all times willing and ready to protect that right. Though scoffed at and jeered, by keeping on in our straight course we have won the admiration of many who were at one time the foremost of our enemies. Our principles, as they now stand, are such as must meet the approbation of any candid thinking man. "The care of the sick, relief for the distressed, care for the widow, and education of the orphan," are commended by our laws. Truly, what more laudable objects could an order possess than these; and when we add, procuring a worthy brother a situation should he need one, it seems to me, that all must admit that the object of our Order is a noble one. Farther, enjoining temperance, and insisting that every man has an equal right to regulate his own business, and that no one has a right to coerce him in so doing. Surely, my brethren, with a platform like this to go before the world, there can be nothing but *success* for us in the future. This brings us to a matter that I call upon this Grand Division to carefully consider. How are the mass of conductors, in charge of the many trains that thread our lands, to be made to understand that there is an Order of Railroad Conductors, and that it is no old insurance association that has defrauded them in years gone by (for this, my Brothers, is the main reason why our letters and circulars have not been answered during the last year), and that this Order is just what they ought to belong to; also, I deem it imperative that the G. C. C. for the ensuing year be instructed, to proceed wherever his services are required, and do work for our Order; and that a rate of compensation be made therefor. There are to-day many points that can be organized if a brother could go and spend a week with them, but there is no provision for the payment for a Regular Deputy, to do this work, and it is not just to the Regular Deputy that you appoint a Special Deputy over him to do the work under pay. Further, each division ought to be visited during the year; if this plan had been pursued last year we would not have lost a division, I believe, as a little assistance is of great value in time of trouble. I suggest that the G. C. C. have charge of organizing new divisions, at such a rate of compensation when on duty for the Order, as this Grand Division may determine; or, in case of his inability to do so, he shall appoint a

Special Deputy to do the work. I would further suggest that those brothers who have labored so long and faithfully for the good of the Order, acted as Deputies without pay, be rewarded by making them permanent members of the Grand Division. We will lose nothing by this act, and they have merited it by hard work for the Order. I would, therefore, suggest that Bros. W. J. Jackman, Major M. Long and F. C. Aechternacht be made permanent members of the Grand Division, on account of faithful service. They have all served in two Grand Sessions and two of them in three. It is but right that they be rewarded.

NEW DIVISIONS.

We have added to the membership of the Order during the past year the following new divisions:

Houston Div., No. 7, located at Houston, Texas.

Union Div., No. 13, at St. Thomas, Ontario; charter granted by Bro. J. B. Morford, then G. C. C.

Stratford Div., No. 15, located at Stratford, Ontario.

London Div., No. 16, located at London, Ontario.

Toronto Div., No. 17, located at Toronto, Ontario.

Excelsior Div., No. 17, located at Hamilton, Ohio.

Mason City Div., No. 22, located at Mason City, Iowa.

Sylvania Div., No. 23, located at Catawissa, Pa.

Morford Div., No. 26, located at Toledo, Ohio.

Arnum Div., No. 27, located at Hamilton, Ontario.

Wheaton Div., No. 28, located at Hornellsville, N. Y.

Randolph Div., No. 29, located at Brockville, Ontario.

Ozark Div., No. 30, located at Springfield, Mo.

St. Paul and Minneapolis Div., No. 40, located at St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn., and

Milwaukee Div., No. 46, located at Milwaukee, Wis.

Making a total of fifteen divisions organized during the year. We have reorganized Berkley Division, No. 6, located at Martinsburg, West Virginia; Star Division, No. 31, located at Burlington, Iowa; and Queen City Division, located at Sedalia, Mo.; making a net gain to the Order of eighteen divisions during the year.

ARREST OF CHARTERS.

We have been obliged to issue during the year, warrants for the arrest of the charters of Divisions 7 and 25, but I am happy to say that No. 60 has been reorganized of good material.

On my return from the last Grand Session, I at once appointed my Deputies, and I am happy to say that one and all acquitted themselves nobly in the work.

Bro. H. S. Chapman, Deputy for the Western District of the State of New York, has been actively engaged in the work of the Order the whole

year, assisting in the organization of six divisions during the year, and by a good correspondence has done much to add to the general success of our Order. The valuable circular that has done much good during the year was his idea of a paper to be sent out to all railway conductors. Truly, the Order of Railway Conductors are under great obligations to Mr. Chapman for his valuable service during the year, and we deplore the loss of his valuable service at this Grand Session on account of his sickness, and hope that he may be speedily restored to health. The circular I herewith attach for the benefit of all, and suggest that the Grand Division order at least 2,000 copies printed for use during the year.

DEAR SIR: Being desirous of locating a division of the Order of Railway Conductors at ————— and you having been highly recommended as a desirable person with whom to open a correspondence in regard to the matter, I thus address you. Doubtless, the first questions you would ask, are: What is the Order of Railway Conductors? Why organized? What are its aims and objects? To the first question, will say the Order is composed of passenger and freight conductors of good moral character, who have had at least one year's experience as conductor, and at the time of making application for membership in the Order, must be in active railway service. It is organized for the purpose of more effectually uniting the conductors as a class of men, both on our own and connecting lines of railways, and for their mutual improvement and advancement. Its aims and objects are to elevate the standing of conductors, socially and professionally, to make them temperate and cautious. We believe if we make a man industrious and temperate, we at the same time make him a good husband, good father, a good son, and consequently a good conductor. While we do not insist on total abstinence from intoxicating drink, the habitual or excessive use of it, or traffic in the sale of it, is considered sufficient cause to reject an applicant for admission. With a member, first, remonstrance; second, reprimand; third, expulsion. If we find that one of our brothers is using liquor to excess, we appoint a committee to remonstrate with him, take him by the hand in a brotherly manner—for though fallen he is yet our brother—and in a kind manner warn him of the danger of the course he is pursuing, and urge him to reform before it is too late. If the brother still persists in the habit, he is, after proper trial, expelled, and the superintendent of the road on which he is employed notified of the fact. We make no distinction between passenger and freight conductors, for we submit as the boy is father to the man, so is the freight conductor of to-day the passenger conductor of to-morrow.

We endeavor to aid a worthy brother in every honorable manner, to secure for him a situation should he be in need of one. As we are all liable to misfortune, and frequently our positions are at the mercy of unscrupulous persons, who often without cause or explanation dispense with our services.

Is it not pleasant under such circumstances to know that, scattered over -

the United States and Canadas, we have some fifteen hundred brothers of the Order, who are in duty bound to help secure for us a situation; and with so many to assist us we are sure to succeed. It may be in Texas, it may be in Colorado, but we are sure to have situations offered us somewhere. We have also an insurance association connected with the Order, of which brothers may or may not be members, as they choose. Our relations with our employers are most friendly, as we are working with them and for them, and not against them. We are positively opposed to strikes, and any brother who so far forgets himself as to engage in, or in any manner aid, abet or countenance a strike, will be tried, and if found guilty, expelled.

Where our Order is best known and understood by railway officials, we are treated with the greatest kindness and consideration. As, for instance, on the late excursion of our Order through the State of Texas, we were run 2,333 miles as a special train, were banqueted at Galveston by the G. C. & S. F. R'y, at Hearne by the H. & T. C. R'y, at Muscogee by the M., K. & T. R'y, and at St. Louis by the Mo. P. R'y. Often, when our objects as an Order have been explained to Superintendents, they have expressed not only their willingness for their conductors to become members, but have in many instances urged them to join the Order. That our growth has not been as rapid as we might wish, we believe to be due to the fact that conductors do not understand the objects of the Order. Consequently we take this method of placing the matter understandingly before you, and through you hope to reach many others. We desire your co-operation, and hope to be able to organize a division of the Order at no distant day, with yourself as one of the charter members. You can show this to any conductor who has had the requisite experience, and invite his assistance. Should be pleased to hear from you at your earliest convenience, and will gladly give you any information in my power.

REPORT OF DEPUTIES.

Bro. R. E. Fitzgerald reports that the Order is doing finely in his district, and fine prospects for an increase of divisions during the year. Bro. Fitzgerald during the year has proved himself truly worthy of the trust reposed in him at the last annual session, and has been truly an assistant to the G. C. C.; in many ways he has lightened my labors. The Order is under great obligations to Bro. Fitzgerald.

Bro. J. D. Shultz, D. G. C. C. for Northern District, State of New York, reports the Order flourishing in his district, and a growing interest among the men of the N. Y. C. & H. R. R. to become members of our Order. Bro. Shultz assisted during the year in the organization of five new divisions.

Bro. C. A. Wood, D. D. G. C. C., Southern District, State of New York, reports the Order progressing finely in the district; also assisted in the organization of three divisions during the year.

Bro. Rosencranz also reports the Order doing well in his district, with prospects of extension into the Eastern States at no very distant day.

Bro. M. Long, Deputy for Ohio, reports that the Order is doing finely in

the State of Ohio. Organized two divisions in his State, and could have more if he could have spent the time to do so.

Bros. J. D. German and J. E. Smith, Deputies for New Jersey, report all O. K. in that State.

Bro. John N. Robinson reports a gain of one division in Wisconsin, with more to follow

Bro. L. R. Carver, Deputy for the First District, State of Iowa, reports the Order in good shape in Iowa, an increase of one division in his district; also of organizing a new division in the State of Minnesota.

I regret that deputies are so backward in getting in their annual reports. I had reason to expect reports from many more, and one, at least, who has performed more work for the Order during the year than the majority of the deputies. I refer to Bro. Ben Arnum, of Union Division, No. 13. There has been organized in his district this year six divisions, and all are in good working order. I have had the pleasure of visiting the province three times during the year in an official capacity, and the courtesies shown me and other brothers of our Order in the states will never be forgotten by those who were present; and at a recent date, upon invitation, I visited every division in the Dominion; and I can assure you, my brethren, that I was surprised at the interest manifested by the members, and more so by those not members at all; and I have reason to believe that our trip through the Dominion was productive of great good to the Order there. This trip was made without expense to the Order, as the respective divisions paid me for my time and expenses.

DISPENSATIONS.

There have been during the year, the following letters of dispensation granted by Bro. L. R. Carver:

To Division 58 to install their officers at such time and place as they might determine, as it was their desire to install them at Iowa Falls, publicly.

By Bro. C. A. Wood to Elmira Division, No. 9, to change time and place of meeting.

By Bro. F. Rosencranz to Division 54, to hold meetings at Hunter's Point or Long Island City, as they may desire; a part of the members reside there.

By the G. C. C., a dispensation to Rochester Division, No. 8, to move the division from Rochester to Avon, N. Y.

To Collins Division, No. 5, to resume regular meetings.

To Bro. C. A. Stanchfield, to proceed to St. Paul and take necessary measures to organize a division there.

Appointing Bro. A. B. Murphy to, if possible, effect a reorganization of Philadelphia Division, No. 18.

To Bro. C. R. Ashton, to reorganize Star Division, No. 31, at Burlington, Iowa.

To Division 54, to hold such of their meetings in Jersey City as the division might deem expedient.

Legalizing certain acts of Bros. H. Shew, in organizing St. Paul and Minneapolis Division, No. 40.

Also, to Bro. F. C. Aechternacht, to visit Emporia Division, No. 11, and elect and install officers of that division on the same day.

There are some other dispensations that have been granted, but owing to the failure of the deputies to report, I cannot give them.

DECISIONS.

I have not been called upon to decide any cases of moment during the year. One case came to my notice, but as Bro. H. S. Chapman knew all the parties, and had heard the evidence, I referred it to him for decision. Some questions of a local character have been asked by the new divisions on construction of law, which I do not think best to take up your valuable time with.

CIRCULARS.

I have issued but three circulars during the year.

The first one, to obviate any misunderstanding in regard to seal being placed upon papers asking for legal information.

The second, changing address to St. Louis, Mo.

The third, announcing time of Grand Session and, also, slip to fill out, giving me information in regard to the Order.

During the year, I wrote Bro. G. Coale regarding the property of Divisions 11 and 13, said to be held by him, and succeeded in getting him to send it to Bro. W. P. Daniels. The property now held by Bro. G. C. Newton. I have not been able to get, but I have promise to have it sent soon to the G. S. and T.

DEATHS.

There is a dark side to this very pleasant picture. While we have been busy during the year, death has also been busy in our midst. I have not been officially informed of any, but the brothers of Divisions 3, 9, 29 and 35, have been called upon to mourn the departure of brothers dear to them. Let us hope that they now watch us and enjoy our meeting from the other side of the river, where they have passed their examination, and their report has been endorsed O. K. by the Great Grand Chief Conductor of the Universe.

Owing to the inability of Bros. H. S. Chapman and John Clark, members of the Special Committee on Constitution and Laws, to attend its meetings, I have substituted for them Bros. E. O. Soule, and R. E. Fitzgerald.

I have organized during the year Divisions 15, 16, 17, 23, 27 and 25. I have traveled over 4,000 miles in the interests of our Order. I have visited during the year the following divisions: Nos. 3, 8, 9, 10, 13, 15, 16, 17, 23, 27, 28, 29, 52, 54, 55 and 59. I have received and filed 800 letters, and have written over 1,000, besides sending out the usual circulars. Nearly 300 of

these were accompanied by the standard circular issued to railway conductors.

And now, my brothers, to conclude, I will say that I wish that every member of our Order could have participated in the organization of Divisions 16, 17 and 27; could see and hear what I, with the brethren who so kindly favored me with their assistance on those occasions, saw and heard. I am sure you would have had your strength renewed, and felt greatly strengthened for the work of the Order; for such kind treatment and brotherly feeling must carry our Order to success.

I have, during this year, tried to give you my best effort. That I have made many mistakes is a fact, but they have been errors of the head, not of the heart. I accepted the trust you reposed in me at our last session in St. Louis with a great many misgivings, but with a determination to do the best I could for you and the whole Order. During the year I have labored under many disadvantages. Sickness of myself and family have taken much of my time, while other matters have caused me much trouble.

My brethren: I herewith hand back to you the trust you gave me nearly one year ago. You are to be the judges whether I and my associates have faithfully discharged our duty or not. Our hearts have been in the work, and our only desire is that the Order of Railway Conductors, which we have tried to represent this year, may go on and on until every eligible conductor shall be gathered with our circle.

Yours very truly, in perpetual friendship,

C. S. WHEATON, G. C. C.

GRAND DIVISION, IN ACCOUNT WITH C. S. WHEATON.

Dr.

To expenses of office from Nov. 5, 1880, to Sept. 30, 1881, as per itemized account in book "A."	\$ 89 00
To 37 days lost time in attending to business of the Order...	111 00
Total	\$200 00

C. S. WHEATON, G. C. C.

On motion of Bro. Herman, report was referred to Committee on Constitution, and expense account to Committee on Finance.

G. S. and T. Daniels presented his annual report as follows:

OCTOBER 4TH, 1881.

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers:

In accordance with the provisions of our Constitution, I again present you with my annual report and a general account of the Order for the year just closed, and I am happy to be able to say that it has been the most prosperous one since my connection with the Grand Division. A few of the

weaker divisions have gone to the wall, but there has been, notwithstanding, a large increase in both divisions and members, while the balance sheet accompanying this report presents a much more favorable showing than the last.

DELINQUENT REPORTS.

Reports of the following divisions, which were delinquent at the close of the last fiscal year, have been received as noted and placed on file:

Creston, No. 21, during Grand Division.

Scioto, No. 33, November 29th, 1880.

Hawkeye, No. 41, December 18th, 1880.

Denver, No. 44, December 25th, 1880.

Freeport, No. 25, February 15th, 1881.

Star, No. 31, April 28th, 1881.

Emporia, No. 11, August 30th, 1881.

The following are still delinquent for the year closing September 30th, 1880:

Berkley, No. 6, Martinsburg, West Virginia.

Sunset, No. 7, Columbus, Texas.

Bloomington, No. 10, Bloomington, Illinois.

Rocky Mountain, No. 43, Cheyenne, Wyoming Territory.

Rocky Mountain, No. 43, is also delinquent for the year ending September 30th, 1879, and I would recommend that you arrest its charter, and that a deputy be sent as soon as practicable to settle up its affairs and take charge of its property, if any.

The charter of Sunset, No. 7, has been arrested by order of the G. C. C., and its property used in organizing a division at Houston, Texas.

The following have failed to report for the year ending September 30th, 1881: Berkley, No. 6; Wellsville, No. 20; Meadville, No. 32; Omaha, No. 35; Hawkeye, No. 41; Denver, No. 44; Pyramid, No. 56.

There have been organized during the year 14 new divisions with 408 members, a report in detail of which has already been given you by the Grand Chief Conductor.

I have received during the year the property of Allegheny, No. 11, and Iowa City, No. 13, from Bro. G. Coale. Bro. G. C. Newton still holds the property of Waterloo, No. 47. Owing to its members becoming scattered, Wahsatch, No. 45, has surrendered its charter, which I have received, also its property, including \$30 in cash.

I renew my recommendation of last year, that thirty-five dollars, or so much as is necessary thereof, be appropriated to procure a suitable desk for the use of the Grand Secretary.

THE RAILWAY AGE MAGAZINE.

I have received during the year one subscription to the weekly at \$4.00, two at \$3.50, forty-six subscriptions to the monthly at \$2.00, four at \$1.75,

and four hundred and thirty at \$1.50, making a total of 483 subscriptions, aggregating \$755.00, on which the profit has been \$146.00. [*Vide Magazine ledger.*]

INSURANCE.

Our Insurance is in a very unsatisfactory condition, and a complete revision of its laws can no longer be postponed if we keep it from going to pieces altogether.

Benefits have been paid during the year as follows, for which vouchers accompany this report:

Mrs. D. A. Ritchie, account of death of Bro. D. A. Ritchie, of Division No. 9, \$113; Mrs. C. L. Vincent, account of death of Bro. C. L. Vincent, of Division No. 9, \$104, and Miss Nellie Grant, account of death of Bro. S. A. Grant, of Division No. 41, \$103. The last payment exhausted the advance assessment, No. 16, but owing to the payments on No. 16 being so long delayed, no notice of assessment No. 17, which is now due, has been issued.

The amount of Mrs. Ritchie's benefit should have been \$155, but of the members 42 defaulted.

Number of members	Sept. 1st, 1880.....	155
" " "	joined during the year.....	9
" " "	forfeited " " ".....	55
" " "	deaths " " ".....	2
" " "	Sept. 1st, 1881.....	107
" " "	decrease.....	48
" " "	working divisions.....	50
" " "	divisions reported.....	43
" " "	failing to report.....	7
" " "	organized during the year.....	14
" " "	closed " " ".....	4
" " "	reported Sept. 1st, 1881.....	1199
" " "	in non-reporting divisions Sept. 1, 1880....	221
" " "	suspended and expelled.....	64
" " "	deceased.....	9
" " "	initiated and promoted.....	443
Present number of members.....		1420
Increase during the year.....		370

And now, as my official relations with you are about to be severed, I wish, in closing this my last annual report, to again and sincerely thank all with whom I have been connected, for the courtesy and kindness which I have uniformly received. While the duties of the past three years have been many and arduous, especially for one engaged in running a train, those years will always be remembered with pleasure, and while heartily glad to lay those duties on other shoulders, it is with a feeling of regret that I say

1880			Dr.	Cr.
Dec.	2	To cash 4 membership certificates, certified...	\$1 20	
"	11	By " 500 3 cent stamped envelopes.....		\$16 20
"	11	" " 500 1 cent stamps.....		5 00
"	11	" " 100 1 cent stamps.....		1 00
"	11	To " profit on magazine to date.....	14 00	
"	20	By " Order No. 7, J. B. Morford.....		4 25
"	21	To " Division No. 53.....	3 75	
"	23	" " " 41.....	5 75	
"	28	By " one copy magazine to Division No. 3.		1 50
"	28	" " " " " " " " 8.		1 50
1881				
Jan.	1	To " profit on magazine to date.....	22 00	
"	1	By " J. C. W. Long on acc't.....		125 00
"	4	To " one G. D. card.....	1 00	
"	10	By " ex. chgs. pkg. from J. C. L. & Div. 3.		35
"	17	To " profit on magazine to date.....	46 00	
"	24	" " 50 certificates memb.....	2 50	
"	24	" " certifying 10 ".....	2 50	
"	24	By " Order No. 7, Hawkeye Printing Co..		53 90
"	24	" " " " 12, A. B. Murphy.....		1 50
"	31	To " Division No. 3.....	1 50	
"	31	" " " " 8.....	1 50	
"	31	" " " " 13.....	36 50	
"	31	" " 100 certificates of memb.....	5 00	
"	31	By " one letter book.....		2 00
Feb.	5	To " Division No. 55.....	25 00	
"	5	" " " " 60.....	20 00	
"	17	" " profit on magazine to date.....	38 75	
"	24	" " Division No. 15.....	17 25	
"	24	" " " " 25.....	24 00	
Mar.	12	" " " " 15.....	15 00	
"	12	" " " " 16.....	15 00	
"	12	" " " " 17.....	15 00	
"	12	" " " " 22.....	15 00	
"	12	" " " " 49.....	33 65	
"	12	By " Orders, Nos. 8 and 13, Jno. Clark....		33 65
"	12	" " 100 postal cards....		1 00
"	12	" " 2 boxes seal wafers.....		3 00
April	10	To " Division No. 58.....	25 00	
"	10	By " J. C. W. Long, on acc't.....		49 35
"	10	" " exchange on draft.....		10
"	18	To " Division No. 12.....	26 50	
"	18	" " " " 18.....	15 00	
"	18	" " " " 35.....	7 50	
May	2	" " " " 31.....	13 00	
"	2	" " " " 55.....	29 00	
"	2	" " " " 3.....	4 75	

1881				DR.	CR.
May	2	By cash	Order No. 10 Hawkeye Printing Co..		\$60 50
"	10	"	Order No. 9.....		70 00
"	10	"	Order No. 11.....		20 00
"	10	"	exchange on drafts.....		40
"	10	"	recutting seal for Division 30.....		2 00
"	10	To	5 insurance certificates.....	\$ 1 25	
"	10	"	Division No. 30.....	13 25	
"	23	"	" " 13.....	3 00	
"	23	By	recutting seal for Division 23.....		2 00
June	4	To	Division No. 14.....	8 75	
"	4	"	" " 24.....	14 00	
"	12	"	" " 30.....	4 00	
"	20	"	" " 22.....	15 00	
"	20	By	letter head, &c., for D. G. C. C.'s		8 70
"	20	To	Division No. 37.....	75	
July	6	"	" " 44.....	2 50	
"	6	"	" " 53.....	1 00	
"	6	"	" " 55.....	21 80	
"	15	"	" " 16.....	10 50	
"	15	"	" " 23.....	11 25	
"	15	"	profit on magazine.....	5 50	
"	26	"	Division No. 26.....	15 00	
"	26	"	" " 38.....	75	
"	30	By	order No. 12, A. B. Murphy.....		10 50
"	30	"	" " 2, J. B. Morford.....		87 64
"	30	"	stamps and envelopes, &c.....		4 40
Aug.	15	To	one insurance certificate.....	25	
"	15	"	Division No. 7.....	20 00	
"	15	"	" " 17.....	19 00	
"	15	"	" " 18.....	15 00	
"	15	"	" " 23.....	15 00	
"	15	"	" " 26.....	15 00	
"	15	"	" " 27.....	15 00	
"	15	"	" " 28.....	15 00	
"	15	"	" " 44.....	2 75	
"	15	By	recutting seal No. 22.....		2 00
"	30	To	Division No. 11.....	14 00	
"	30	"	" " 7.....	26 00	
"	30	"	" " 40.....	27 75	
Sept.	13	"	" " 33.....	5 00	
"	13	"	" " 23.....	13 00	
"	13	"	" " 59.....	28 50	
"	13	"	" " 45.....	30 00	
"	13	"	" " 52.....	46 00	
"	13	"	" " 38.....	23 00	
"	13	"	profit on magazine	2 00	

1881		Dr.	Cr.
Sept. 14	To cash circulars, &c.		\$16 90
" 16	" " express charges on packages from 8 and 15		50
Sept. 16	To Cash, Division No. 15	\$45 00	
" 16	" " " " 8	41 30	
" 16	" " " " 3	43 50	
" 16	" " " " 9	48 00	
" 16	" " " " 37	24 00	
" 20	" " " " 16	46 65	
" 23	" " " " 31	26 75	
" 26	" " " " 22	14 00	
" 26	" " " " 40	28 00	
" 26	" " " " 5	16 75	
" 26	" " " " 4	23 00	
" 26	" " " " 26	25 00	
" 30	" " " " 13	65 00	
" 30	" " " " 27	45 00	
" 30	" " " " 30	15 00	
" 30	" " " " 29	28 00	
" 30	" " " " 46	15 00	
" 30	" " " " 28	22 50	
" 30	By " order " 12		32 50
" 30	To " division " 17	70 00	
" 30	" " " " 21	22 00	
" 30	" " " " 46	12 00	
" 30	By " on hand		1178 15
		<u>\$2,047 09</u>	<u>\$2,047 09</u>

GRAND DIVISION IN ACCOUNT WITH SUNDRIES :

	Dr.	Cr.
To amounts overpaid by divisions	\$ 16 52	
To bills payable	853 26	
Order No. 5, 1879, to W. P. Daniels	\$250 00	
" " 7, " " J. B. Morford	87 26	
" " 5, 1880, " W. P. Daniels	250 00	
" " 6, " " J. B. Morford	250 00	
" " 8, " " H. S. Chapman	4 00	
" " 14, 1879, " W. H. Jackman	12 00	
By amounts due from divisions		508 75
By cash on hand		1,178 15
To surplus	812 12	
	<u>\$1,681 90</u>	<u>\$1,681 90</u>

On motion of Bro. Herman, referred to Finance Committee.
Closed at 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 2:30 P. M.

Partial report of Special Committee on Constitution and Laws, read as follows :

We, your Committee, respectfully submit the following revision of the Constitution and Statutes, and recommend their adoption. [*Vide* Constitution, Statutes, and Insurance By-Laws.]

W. P. DANIELS,
L. R. CARVER,
F. C. AECHTERNACHT.
C. S. WHEATON,
R. E. FITZGERALD,
E. O. SOULE,
J. C. W. LONG.

of the Committee.

Moved by Daniels, No. 58, to adopt as read. Roll call ordered, and motion carried by the following vote :

Ayes—Wheaton, Fitzgerald, Daniels, Jackman, Morford, Long (J. C. W.), Carver, Snow, George, Shultz, White, Webster, Thieman, Turnbull, Defries, Hawkins, Berger, Randolph, Fay, Mahan, Mitchell, Stone, Palmer, Rosen-cranz, McFarland, Ryan, Aechternacht, Bell, Soule, Hurless, Brown, Herman, Ashton, Slair—34.

Nays—Davy, Whittaker, Galletin, Ogilvie—4.

Moved by Bro. Jackman that the new Constitution, Statutes and Insurance Laws be read by sections for amendments.

A long debate following, the previous question was moved by Bro. Webster, and being ordered the question on motion was carried, and the reading of the Constitution was proceeded with.

P. G. C. C. Morford called to the chair by G. C. C. Wheaton.

Moved by Bro. Wheaton to amend Section 3, Article 2, by striking out "May" and inserting "October." Lost.

Moved by Bro. Long to amend same by striking out "third Tuesday in May" and inserting "first Tuesday in October."

Moved by Bro. Turnbull to amend amendment by striking out "first" and inserting "second." Lost.

Question on motion of Bro. Long lost.

Moved by Bro. Morford to reconsider motion to amend by striking out "May" and inserting "October." Carried.

Question on motion to amend carried.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, Section 2, Article 3, was amended by striking out "actually in the service of the Order," and inserting "for each day entirely devoted to the business of the Order."

Grand Division closed at 6:15 P. M.

SECOND DAY.—MORNING.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 5, 1881

Grand Division opened at 9:00 A. M., G. C. C. Wheaton in the chair
 M. W. Farley, delegate from St. Albans Division, No. 24, presented his credentials and was admitted.

Reading of the Constitution proceeded with.

On motion of Bro. Long, Section 2, Article 6, amended by striking out "May" and inserting "October."

On motion of Bro. Daniels, Section 3, Article 6, amended by striking out "to election."

On motion of Bro. Webster, Section 2, Article 8, amended by striking out "black" and inserting "purple."

Moved by Bro. Webster to amend Section 1, Article 9, by striking out "25 cents" fee for traveling cards. Lost.

Moved by Bro. Ryan to amend same by striking out "25" and inserting "10." Lost.

Moved by Bro. Webster to amend Section 1, Article 9, fee for credential to honorary members, by striking out "50" and inserting "100." Carried.

Constitution then approved as amended, and reading of Statutes commenced.

Moved by Bro. Jackman to amend Section 1, Article 5, by striking out "suspended members may petition for reinstatement," and inserting "any member may petition for the reinstatement of a suspended member." Lost.

Grand Division closed at 12:40 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 2:30 P. M. G. C. C. Wheaton in the chair.

The following telegram read:

RED OAK, IOWA, Oct. 4, 1881.

C. S. WHEATON, Buffalo, N. Y.:

A kind greeting to the members of the Grand Division, a pleasant and profitable session, with all enjoyment possible.

ED. L. THURBER,
 C. A. STANCHFIELD,
 H. S. STORRS.

The following answer was ordered sent:

BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 5, 1881.

ED. L. THURBER, C. A. STANCHFIELD, H. S. STORRS:

Your telegram received, and the Grand Division returns sincere thanks for your kindly expressed wishes, and sincerely regrets your enforced absence.

WM. P. DANIELS, Grand Secretary.

Reading of Statutes continued.

Moved by Bro. Brown to strike out Section 2, Article 7, and insert Section 2, Article 5, of the old Constitution. Lost.

Moved by Bro. Long to amend Section 2, Article 7, by striking out "state the occupation of." Lost.

Moved by Bro. Whittaker to amend same by striking out "six" and inserting "one." Lost.

Moved by Bro. Webster to amend same by adding "when a member holding a traveling card is suspended or expelled the Grand Secretary shall notify each division, and publish in the official paper, if there be one, the name of the holder, number and date of such card; and any member to whom it is presented shall take it up and forward it immediately to the Grand Secretary." Carried.

Statutes approved as amended.

Rules of Order read and approved, and reading of Insurance Laws commenced.

Moved by Bro. Webster to amend Article 6 by striking out "one thousand" and inserting "two thousand." Carried.

Moved by Bro. Rosencranz to amend Article 8 by inserting "and must be accompanied by a physician's certificate of good health." Carried.

Insurance Laws approved as amended.

Grand Division closed at 6:15 P. M.

THIRD DAY.—MORNING.

THURSDAY, Oct. 6, 1881.

Grand Division opened at 9 A. M. G. C. C. Wheaton in the chair.

W. E. Gorman, delegate from Mason City Division, No. 22, presented his credentials and was admitted.

Final report of Special Committee on Constitution, Laws and Ritual, read as follows :

We, your Special Committee, respectfully submit the following revision of the Ritual and recommend its adoption. [*Vide* new Ritual.]

W. P. DANIELS,
L. R. CARVER,
F. C. AECHTERNACHT,
C. S. WHEATON,
R. E. FITZGERALD,
E. O. SOULE,
J. C. W. LONG,

of the Committee.

Moved by Bro. Herman to adopt as read. Carried.

Moved by Bro. Daniels that Ritual be read for amendment. Lost.

Report of Executive Committee read as follows, by Bro. Herman, chairman :

BUFFALO, N. Y., Oct. 4, 1881.

We, your Executive Committee, beg leave to make the following report: We received the bond of our Grand Secretary and Treasurer from the Past Chairman of the Executive Committee, and we came to the conclusion to accept it as it was, as we found on investigation that the sureties named therein were willing to stand good for the ensuing year. We, therefore, did not require the G. S. and T. to furnish new bonds. We also would say that the committee have not been called upon during the present year to exercise its executive powers. As we, as a committee, have not been able to do much good, we have, we hope, done no harm.

SAM. A. HERMAN,

C. R. ASHTON,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Slair, report accepted.

Report of Insurance Committee read as follows, by Bro. Slair, Chairman :

We, your Insurance Committee, have received, examined and approved for payment during the year the following claims, on account of the deaths of Bro. C. L. Vincent, of Elmira Division, No. 9, who died Oct. 11, 1880, of chronic pleurisy, and Bro. Samuel A. Grant, who was killed by an accident to his train July 1, 1881.

GEO. W. SLAIR,

J. W. ARCHER,

FRANK ROSENCRANZ,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Ashton, report accepted.

Under call of divisions a communication from Toronto Division, No. 17, presented by Bro. Defries, was referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 1, by Bro. Ogilvie, referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 2, by Bro. Soule, referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 3, by Bro. Morford :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary is hereby directed to procure and keep a regalia which shall be a standard pattern and color of division regalias; also, a staff tip, which shall be the standard.

On motion of Bro. Herman, adopted.

Resolution No. 4, by Bro. Herman; moved by Bro. Daniels to adopt.
Lost.

Resolution No. 5, by Bro. Morford; moved by Bro. Webster to adopt.
Lost.

Resolution No. 6, by Bro. Clifford, referred to Committee on Constitution.

W. S. Dunn, delegate from Lackawanna Division, No. 12, presented his credentials and was admitted.

Resolution No. 7, by Bro. Webster, referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 8, by Bro. Webster, referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 9, by Bro. Webster, referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 10, by Bro. Defries :

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Grand Division that the claim of Robinson & Co. against the Grand Division for printing magazines for G. Z. Cruzen, is not a just one and should not be entertained.

Adopted on motion of Bro. Collins.

Resolution No. 11 by Bro. Thieman, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 12, by Bro. Defries, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 13, by Bro. Collins :

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the G. C. C. to inquire as to the feasibility of incorporating the Grand Division.

Adopted on motion of Bro. Webster.

Resolution No. 14, by Bro. Randolph, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 15, by Bro. Brown, referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 16, by Bro. Morford, referred to Committee on Work.

Resolution No. 17, by Bro. Turnbull, referred to Committee on Constitution.

Resolution No. 18, by Bro. Soule, referred to Committee on Constitution. G. C. C. Wheaton appointed as the committee ordered by Resolution No. 13, Bros. Jackman, Collins and Defries.

Grand Division closed at 12:45 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 2:20 P. M., G. C. C. Wheaton in the chair.

Partial report of Committee on Constitution read by Bro. Rosencranz, as follows :

BROTHERS — We, your Committee on Constitution, respectfully submit the following :

The first and second recommendations of the G. C. C. having been provided by the new Constitution, no further action is necessary.

We would recommend that two thousand copies of the general circular, submitted with his report, be printed for distribution, and that he be directed to use every effort to obtain the Grand Division property held by G. C. Newton. Feeling that the adoption of the recommendation to make certain brothers permanent members of the Grand Division would be establishing a bad precedent, your Committee recommend non-concurrence therein.

FRANK ROSENCRANZ,
SAMUEL H. DEFRIES,
J. D. SHULTZ,
J. R. HAWKINS,
A. G. WHITE,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Dunn, report accepted and recommendations concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Herman, Bros. M. Long, F. C. Aechternacht, W. J. Jackman and Ben. Arnum, were made permanent members of the Grand Division.

Moved by Bro. Brown, that the *Railway Age Magazine* be adopted as the official paper of the Order. Lost.

Resolution No. 19, by Bro. Dunn, on motion of Bro. Ryan, laid on the table.

On motion of Bro. Morford, G. C. C. Wheaton appointed Bros. Dunn and Galletin a committee to call on the editor of *The Railrouder* and request him to make a proposition to the Grand Division in regard to adopting his paper as the official paper of the Order.

P. G. C. C. Morford called to the chair by G. C. C. Wheaton.

On motion of Bro. Wheaton, acting G. C. C. Morford appointed Bros. Jackman, Slair, Webster, Mitchell and Clifford, a committee to draft resolutions of thanks to the various parties from whom favors were received.

Final report of Committee on Constitution read as follows :

BROTHERS—We, your committee, respectfully recommend the rejection of all matters referred to us.

FRANK ROSENCRANZ,

J. D. SHULTZ,

A. G. WHITE,

of the Committee.

On motion of Bro. Herman, report accepted and recommendation concurred in.

Resolution No. 20, by Bro. Wheaton :

Resolved, That Bro. W. P. Daniels be requested to take entire charge of and arrange for the printing of the Constitution and Ritual, and that he be paid for the time lost from his train in so doing.

Adopted on motion of Bro. Wheaton.

G. C. C. Wheaton resumed the chair.

Moved by Bro. Morford that the Grand Division proceed to the election of officers.

G. C. C. Wheaton appointed Bros. Davidson, Farley and Turnbull tellers, and sent notice of election to Committee on Finance who were in session, directing them to immediately attend the Grand Division.

Moved by Bro. Daniels to reconsider motion to proceed to election of officers, carried. On reconsideration the motion to proceed to election of officers was lost.

Permission was given to Committees on Finance and Work to retire.

Bro. Collins, of the committee ordered by Resolution No. 13, made a verbal report, saying the committee had consulted legal authority and were

advised that the Grand Division could not be chartered by the Congress of the United States.

On motion of Bro. Daniels the report was accepted.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, ordered that a copy of the Constitution be bound with each printed copy of proceedings, and that 5,000 additional copies of the Constitution be printed.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, ordered that the Rituals be bound in cloth and 1,200 copies printed.

Moved by Bro. Morford to proceed to election of officers. Lost.

On motion of Bro. Herman, ordered that the traveling card be $2\frac{1}{2}$ by 4 inches in size, and tinted with the tint block of the Order.

On motion of Bro. Ogilvie, ordered that 500 copies of Proceedings be printed and five copies furnished to each division.

On motion of Bro. Webster, ordered that eight Rituals be furnished at cost to all divisions now organized.

On motion of Bro. Aechternacht, ordered that the Chief Conductor of each division is directed to destroy all old Rituals on receipt of the new ones, and certify to the Grand Secretary that the old ones have been destroyed.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, ordered that the following price list of supplies be adopted and printed in the Constitution :

Charters for new divisions.....	\$20 00
Constitutions, per hundred.....	10 00
Rituals, each.....	50
Certificates of membership, per hundred.....	5 00
Treasurer's order book, each.....	1 00
Secretary's receipt books, each.....	1 00
Petitions for membership, per hundred.....	1 00
Withdrawal cards, per hundred.....	1 00
Notices of meetings.....	50
Notices of dues.....	50
Singing odes.....	1 50
Seals, each.....	4 00
Recutting seals.....	2 50

Resolution No. 22, by Bro. Davidson, lost.

Moved by Bro. Davidson to proceed to election of officers. Lost.

Preliminary Report of Committee on Finance read by Bro. Carver, Chairman, as follows :

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers :

We, your Committee on Finance, would respectfully beg leave to lay before you this our preliminary report. We have carefully examined the account of the G. C. C. and find it very reasonable, and would earnestly recommend it be paid at once.

Amount of same, being to expenses of his office for incidental fees from Nov. 5, 1880, to Sept. 30, 1881.....	\$ 89 69
And to 37 days lost time @ \$3.00 per day.....	111 00
Total	\$200 69

Also, the bill for attending the present session of the G. D.:

Ten days at \$2.70 per day....	\$ 27 00
Ten days board at \$2.00 per day.....	20 00
Grand Total.	\$247 69

We have carefully examined the books, accounts and papers of the G. S. and T., and find them correct.

We find the receipts from all sources	\$2,047 09
Expenditures.....	868 94
Leaving a balance of	\$1,178 15

We would recommend the payment of the following bills:

Order No. 7, 1879, to P. G. C. C., J. B. Morford.....	\$ 87 26
Order No. 6, 1880, to P. G. C. C., J. B. Morford.....	250 00
Order No. 5, 1879, to G. S. and T., W. P. Daniels.....	250 00
Order No. 5, 1880, to G. S. and T., W. P. Daniels.....	250 00
Order No. 8, 1880, to H. S. Chapman.....	4 00
Order No. 14, 1879, to W. J. Jackman.....	12 00
Total	\$853 26

Also the bill of G. S. and T. W. P. Daniels, for attending

Grand Division, of eleven days lost time, at \$3 per day.....	\$33 00
Eleven days' board at Grand Division, at \$2 per day.....	22 00
Total	\$55 00

Also the bill of Bro. H. S. Chapman for services and personal expenses.....

\$41 64

Also the bill of Bro. W. J. Jackman for ten days lost time at \$3.00 per day.....

\$30 00

We would recommend that the salary of the G. C. C. and the G. S. and T. for the past year be \$250.00 each.

We would recommend that 500 copies of the Proceedings of this session be printed, and that five copies be supplied to each division, and that the same number be furnished to each new division.

The bill of Bro. J. C. Morrill we respectfully refer to your Grand Body for consideration.

We heartily recommend that this Grand Body tender a unanimous vote of thanks to the G. S. and T., W. P. Daniels, for the very able and efficient manner in which he has kept the books and conducted the affairs of his office. We also recommend that our G. C. C., Bro. Wheaton, receive a unanimous vote of thanks for the very efficient manner in which he has filled his office.

All of which we most respectfully submit to your Grand Body for your disposition.

L. R. CARVER,
W. M. DAVEY,
W. H. GEORGE,
E. A. STONE,
J. S. RANDOLPH.

On motion of Bro. Defries, report accepted and recommendations concurred in.

Report of Committee on Work read by Bro. Collins, chairman, as follows:

BROTHERS:—We, your Committee on Work, respectfully submit the following report: We recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 15, as follows:

Resolved, That the word "quit" be stricken out of the first line on page 46 of old Ritual, and the words "depart from" inserted.

We recommend that Resolution No. 16 be referred to the Committee on Constitution, and that all other matter referred to us be rejected.

W. L. COLLINS,
J. C. W. LONG,
J. TURNBULL,
W. H. HURLESS,
A. G. BROWN,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Defries, report accepted and recommendations concurred in.

Grand Division closed at 6 P. M.

FOURTH DAY.—MORNING.

FRIDAY, October 4, 1881.

Grand Division opened at 9.00 A. M. G. C. C. Wheaton in the chair.

Report of Special Committee to call on Mr. Leflet presented, as follows:

BROTHERS:—Your Special Committee appointed to interview Mr. Leflet, of *The Railroader*, submit herewith a proposition from that gentleman.

B. F. GALLETIN,
W. S. DUNN,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Archer, report accepted.

MANSION HOUSE, Buffalo, N. Y., Oct. 1, 1881.

MESSRS. GALLETTIN AND DUNN, *Committee*.

Gentlemen :--Replying to your request, I beg leave to state in behalf of "The Railroader Publishing Co.," that we will furnish *The Railroader* for the period of one year to all subscribers whose names may be sent to us by members of your Order, or by your Grand Secretary, for the sum of 60 cents each. We furthermore agree to do what we can to advance the interests of your Order. On your part, gentlemen, we shall expect your Order to use its influence energetically to extend the circulation of *The Railroader*, believing that such a policy will best advance your interests and ours. The above agreement is to be in force in the event of *The Railroader* being adopted as the official organ of the association you represent.

Very Truly Yours, WM. R. LEFLET,
Editor and Publisher *Railroader*.

Resolution No. 22, by Bro. Rosenkranz :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be and is hereby authorized to procure a suitable desk for his office, and the sum of \$35.00, or as much thereof as is necessary, be appropriated to pay for the same.

Adopted on motion of Bro. Ryan.

Resolution No. 23, by Bro. Morford:

Resolved, That the Grand Dues for the coming year be one dollar.

Adopted on motion of same.

Resolution No. 24, by Bro. Defries:

Resolved, That the following be added to Section 2, Article 7, of the Statutes: "No application for a traveling card shall be forwarded by the Chief Conductor or Secretary of any division until the applicant has paid his dues at least six months in advance from the date of the card."

Adopted on motion of same.

Resolution No. 25, by Bro. Daniels:

Resolved, That the proposition of "The Railroader Publishing Co." be accepted. That all copies be ordered through the Grand Secretary, and Mr. Leflet notified not to make the reduction specified in the proposition except on orders from the Grand Secretary; that the sum of one dollar be collected and forwarded to the Grand Secretary for each subscriber, provided that subscriptions may be taken for seventy-five cents when necessary to secure subscribers. All money to be forwarded by postoffice order, draft or express, and all profits arising from subscriptions to be covered into the Grand Treasury.

On motion of same adopted.

On motion of same, it was ordered that all suspensions and expulsions be published in the official paper, such publication to be sufficient notice to divisions.

Resolution No. 26, by Bro. Fitzgerald:

Resolved, That we deeply regret the absence of Bro. H. S. Chapman, and earnestly hope for his speedy recovery, and we unanimously tender our thanks to him for his earnest and successful labor for the Order during the past year.

On motion of same, unanimously adopted.

Resolution No. 27, by Bro. Morford:

Resolved, That we tender our thanks to all brothers who have benefited the Grand Division by procuring subscriptions to *The Railway Age Magazine* during the last year, and especially to Bro. C. R. Ashton for his successful efforts.

On motion of same, adopted.

Resolution No. 28, by Bro. Webster:

Resolved, That for the information of members, a ballot shall be taken in this Grand Division, and the form of such ballot shall be the standard form for balloting in divisions.

On motion of same, adopted.

Resolution No. 29, by Bro. Herman, lost.

Resolution No. 30, by Bro. Webster, lost.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, ordered that the "cipher" explained to the Grand Division be adopted.

Resolution No. 30, by Bro. Daniels:

Resolved, That in addition to the officers to be regularly elected, this Grand Division elect a member of the Insurance Committee to serve one year.

On motion of same, adopted.

On motion of Bro. Morford, the election of officers was ordered.

G. C. C. Wheaton appointed as tellers Bros. Davidson, Farley and Turnbull.

For Grand Chief Conductor Bro. Wheaton nominated by Bro. Herman.

Tellers announced 52 votes cast, of which Bro. Wheaton received 48, and was declared duly elected.

For Assistant Grand Chief Conductor Bro. Fitzgerald was nominated by Bro. Aeckternacht.

Tellers announced 52 votes cast, of which Bro. Fitzgerald received 49, and was declared duly elected.

For Grand Secretary and Treasurer, Bro. Daniels was nominated by Bro. Davey.

Tellers announced 52 votes cast, of which Bro. Daniels received 47, and was declared duly elected.

For Grand Senior Conductor, Bro. Slair was nominated by Bro. Soule, Bro. Defries by Bro. Webster, Bro. Carver by Bro. Fitzgerald, Bro. Dunn by Bro. Herman, and Bro. Randolph by Bro. Arnum.

No candidate receiving a majority, a second ballot was ordered.

Tellers announced 53 votes cast, of which Bro. Defries received 29, and was declared duly elected.

For Grand Junior Conductor Bro. Dunn was nominated by Bro. Long, Bro. Fay by Bro. Brown, Bro. Shultz by Bro. Bell, Bro. Randolph by Bro. Jackman, and Bro. Mahan by Bro. Davidson.

No candidate receiving a majority on either first or second ballots, a third was had.

Tellers announced 52 votes cast, of which Bro. Dunn received 34, and was declared duly elected.

For Grand Inside Sentinel, Bro. George was nominated by Bro. Herman, Bro. Webster by Bro. Turnbull, Bro. Bell by Bro. George, and Bro. Turnbull by Bro. Arnum.

Tellers announced 47 votes cast, of which Bro. George received 33, and was declared duly elected.

For Grand Outside Sentinel, Bro. Berger was nominated by Bro. Shultz, and Bro. Webster by Bro. Galletin.

Tellers announced 47 votes cast, of which Bro. Webster received 41, and was declared duly elected.

For Member of the Executive Committee, Bro. Ryan was nominated by Bro. Herman.

Tellers announced 43 votes cast, of which Bro. Ryan received 36, and was declared duly elected.

For Member of Insurance Committee, Bro. Slair was nominated by Bro. Herman.

Tellers announced 47 votes cast, of which Bro. Slair received 46, and was declared duly elected.

For Member of Insurance Committee to serve one year, Bro. Archer was nominated by Bro. Morford.

Tellers announced 36 votes cast, of which Bro. Archer received 36, and was declared duly elected.

For place of holding the next annual session of the Grand Division, Bro. Mitchell nominated St. Paul, Minn., and presented the following invitations :

HALL OF ST. PAUL AND MINNEAPOLIS DIVISION, No. 40, }
ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS, ST. PAUL, MINN., Oct. 2, 1881. }

*To The Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the Grand Division,
Order of Railway Conductors, in Grand Session Assembled at Buffalo, N. Y.:*

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS - At a regular meeting of St. Paul and Minneapolis Division, No. 40, O. R. C., held this afternoon, Bro. Mitchell, our

duly elected representative to your Grand Body, is hereby respectfully requested to extend to you the fraternal courtesies and hospitalities of this division, and request that you will decide to hold the next Annual Grand Session in these cities of the great northwest, and assure you can arrange for a grand excursion from this point. We will endeavor to make your visit in our midst agreeable and satisfactory to you, and hope you will honor us with the favorable acceptance of this our fraternal and cordial invitation. By order of division.

In P. F., GEO. E. PENNOCK, C. C. *pro tem.*
H. SHEW, Secretary.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, CITY OF ST. PAUL. }
St. PAUL, Sept. 29, 1881. }

To the Order of Railway Conductors of America :

The Common Council of the City of St. Paul have adopted a resolution, a copy of which I have the honor to herewith enclose, inviting your Order to hold its next annual convention in this city, and I beg to supplement the invitation by saying that the authorities and citizens will deem themselves honored by your acceptance, and that they will endeavor to make your stay here in every way agreeable to you. Very respectfully yours,

EDMUND RICE, Mayor.

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE, ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 30, 1881.

The attention of J. A. Mitchell, Esq., is respectfully called to the following resolution of the Common Council, adopted at an adjourned meeting held on the 27th inst.:

By Ald. Otis—

Resolved, By the Common Council of the City of St. Paul that the Conductors' Association of the United States be, and they are hereby cordially invited to hold their next annual convention in this city, and Mr. J. A. Mitchell is hereby requested to extend this invitation to the Association, and on behalf of the Common Council to extend to them the hospitalities of the city.

Yeas—Aldermen Allen, Robert, Otis, Ringwald, Cornish, Griggs, Trott, Starkey, McCarthy, Mr. President—10.

Approved Sept. 29, 1881.

Official.

THOS. A. PENDERGAST, City Clerk.

Bro. Aechternacht nominated Kansas City, Mo., and presented the following invitation :

HALL OF KAW VALLEY DIVISION, No. 55, }
ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS, KANSAS CITY, MO., Oct. 2, 1881. }

To the Grand Division, Order of Railway Conductors :

BRETHREN:—On behalf of Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, and also on behalf of the hundred thousand residents of Kansas City, we cordially and fraternally invite you to choose Kansas City as the place for the next regu-

lar session of the Grand Division, assuring you that as this city has been largely built up by railroads she thoroughly appreciates railroad men and their wants, and will take pride in extending to your body the hospitality of the great west. Her location and importance as a railroad center is known to you all, and we believe that an official session of your body in her midst would be a fitting compliment which she will be quick to appreciate and remember.

Faternally,

E. F. SEYMORE, C. C.

J. M. DARROW,

Sec'y Kaw Valley Div., 55.

Bro. Defries nominated Toronto, Ontario, and Bro. Turnbull nominated London, Ontario.

Tellers announced 53 votes cast, of which St. Paul received 28, and was declared duly chosen as the place of holding the fifteenth regular session of the Grand Division.

Grand Division closed at 1:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 3:15 P. M., G. C. C. Wheaton in the chair.

Report of Committee on Constitution read by Bro. Rosencranz, chairman, as follows:

BROTHERS:—We, your Committee on Constitution, respectfully recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 16, as follows:

Resolved, That the following be inserted in the funeral service of the Order: "May the chain of friendship, formed by such links as the one we here lose, serve to unite us more closely in spirit with those who have forged it. May each remaining link be brought to a white heat in the fires of love. And forged on the anvil of truth, may they be strong as steel yet light as air, keeping us bravely to the duties of life, and when the chain of human bondage shall be broken, may they become flowers of eternal brightness in that garden from whence cometh exceeding peace."

FRANK ROSENCRANZ,

J. D. SHULTZ,

SAMUEL H. DEFRIES,

A. G. WHITE,

J. R. HAWKINS,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Carver, report accepted and recommendation concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, the bill of Bro. W. C. Morrill referred back to Committee on Finance, with instructions to make a definite report.

Resolution No. 32, by Bro. Ogilvie, lost.

Report of Committee on Finance, as follows:

BROTHERS:— We, the Finance Committee, beg leave to present the following report on bill of Bro. W. C. Morrill that was referred back to Finance Committee: We would recommend the payment of two days lost time in July, also two days lost time in August, at the rate of \$3.00 per day; total, \$12.00. All of which we respectfully submit.

L. R. CARVER,
E. A. STONE,
W. M. DAVEY,
W. H. GEORGE,

of the Committee.

On motion of Bro. Davidson, report received and recommendation concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Collins, ordered that an order be drawn for \$25.00 for rent of hall during the session.

Moved by Bro. Daniels that the installation of officers re-elected be omitted. Lost.

Report of Committee on Thanks read by Bro. Webster, as follows:

WHEREAS, The members of the Fourteenth Grand Division have been the recipients of many favors and courtesies from the various parties named below, therefore

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be, and they are hereby unanimously tendered the B. P. & W., C. B. & Q., C. S., C., R. I. & P., C. & A., C. V., D. & H. C., G. W., H. & St. J., L. E. & W., Mo. Pac. N. Y., L. E. & W., N. C., O. & M., Penn., P. & L. E., St. L., I. M. & S., St. L. & S. F., Tex. Pac., U. Pac., and W., St. L. & P. Railways; the Pullman, Wagner and Woodruff Palace Sleeping Car Companies, The Western Union and Dominion Telegraph Companies, Miller's Express, Messrs. Churchill, Wood and Stone, of the Mansion House, the several daily papers of Buffalo, Messrs. Bennett, of the Pullman, and Odell, of the Wagner Car Companies, Buffalo Division, No. 2, and their energetic Committee of Arrangements.

W. J. JACKMAN,
G. W. SLAIR,
W. A. WEBSTER,

J. A. MITCHELL,
T. C. CLIFFORD,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Ogilvie, report unanimously adopted.

On motion of Bro. Jackman, permission given to Buffalo Division, No. 2, to propose, elect and confer both degrees on Mr. Wm. Buttman, at a special meeting.

The Grand Officers were installed in due form by P. G. C. C. Morford, and the Grand Division regularly closed at 6:30 P. M., to remain closed until the third Tuesday in October, 1882, unless specially convened.

C. S. WHEATON,
Grand Chief Conductor.

WM. P. DANIELS,
Grand Secretary and Treasurer.

GRAND OFFICERS.

GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR, CALVIN S. WHEATON,
No. 221 Mt. Zoar Street, Elmira, N. Y.

ASS'T GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR, RICHARD E. FITZGERALD;
No. 2225 Scott Avenue, St. Louis, Mo.

GRAND SECRETARY AND TREASURER, WILLIAM P. DANIELS,
No. 711 Starr Avenue, Burlington, Iowa.

GRAND SENIOR CONDUCTOR, SAMUEL H. DEFRIES,
Toronto, Ontario.

GRAND JUNIOR CONDUCTOR, W. S. DUNN,
Scranton, Pa.

GRAND INSIDE SENTINEL, WILL. H. GEORGE,
Houston, Texas.

GRAND OUTSIDE SENTINEL, W. A. WEBSTER,
Box 78, St. Thomas, Ontario.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

	TERM EXPIRES
CHARLES R. ASHTON, Chairman, U. P. Hotel, Council Bluffs, Iowa.	October, 1882.
HARRISON S. CHAPMAN, Box 1227, Lockport, N. Y.	October, 1883.
M. RYAN, Care L. I. R'y, Hunter's Point, L. I.	October, 1884.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

	TERM EXPIRES
CALVIN S. WHEATON, 221 Mt. Zoar Street, Elmira, N. Y.	October, 1882.
JAMES H. ARCHER, Lock Box 155, Cleveland, Ohio.	October, 1882.
GEORGE W. SLAIR, Elmira, New York.	October, 1883.

PAST GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTORS.

WM. L. COLLINS,	I. N. HEDGES,
JOHN B. MORFORD,	C. A. STANCHFIELD,
JOSEPH H. KIMBALL.	

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

J. C. WHISSEN,	J. C. W. LONG,
C. S. WHEATON,	H. S. CHAPMAN,
L. R. CARVER,	C. R. ASHTON,
I. F. DAVIDSON,	W. J. JACKMAN,
F. C. AECHTERNACHT.	MAJOR M. LONG,
BEN. ARNUM,	FRANK ROSENCRAZ,
SAM. A. HERMAN,	WM. P. DANIELS.

CONSTITUTION, STATUTES
AND
RULES OF ORDER
OF THE
ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS

REVISED BY

WILLIAM P. DANIELS,

AND ADOPTED BY

THE FOURTEENTH GRAND DIVISION, BUFFALO, N. Y.,

OCTOBER 4TH, 1881.

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PREAMBLE.

WHEREAS: The Association known as the CONDUCTOR'S BROTHERHOOD was instituted at Mendota, Ills., on the 6th day of July, A. D. 1868, by Conductors from various railroads in the United States, and

WHEREAS: A reorganization was effected at Columbus, Ohio, on the 15th day of December, A. D. 1868, and the Grand Division thereof organized, a Constitution and By-Laws adopted and Grand Officers elected by representatives from the *five* original divisions, and the several railroads in the United States and

WHEREAS: Said Constitution and By-Laws conferred upon the Grand Division, which was to be composed of the Grand Officers and representatives from the *five* original and all subsequently organized divisions, so long as they remain in good standing, authority to alter or amend existing laws and make new laws and regulations for their government, and

WHEREAS: At the eleventh annual session of the aforesaid Grand Division, the name of the Association was changed from Conductors' Brotherhood to the ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS.

Therefore: The Order of Railway Conductors, by their Grand Officers and representatives in Grand Division assembled at the fourteenth regular session thereof, in accordance with existing Constitution and Laws, do enact, ordain and establish the following Constitution and Statutes which shall take effect and be in force on and after the first day of January, 1882, and all former Constitutions, Laws and Regulations are hereby repealed.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

TITLE.

SECTION 1. This Association shall be known as the Order of Railway Conductors.

ARTICLE II.

THE GRAND DIVISION — OF WHOM COMPOSED.

SECTION 1. The Grand Division shall be composed of the following members :

1. The Grand Chief Conductor.
2. The Assistant Grand Chief Conductor.
3. The Grand Secretary and Treasurer.
4. The Grand Senior Conductor.
5. The Grand Junior Conductor.
6. The Grand Inside Sentinel.
7. The Grand Outside Sentinel.
8. Members of the Grand Executive Committee.
9. Members of the Insurance Committee, all of whom shall be elected by ballot annually except as hereinafter provided.
10. All Past Grand Chief Conductors and all who have served four consecutive years as Grand Officers or delegates, so long as they shall remain members of divisions under the jurisdiction of this Grand Division.
11. All who may be elected permanent members, so long as they shall remain members of divisions under the jurisdiction of this Grand Division, provided nothing in this section shall deprive any present permanent members of their membership.

Any member of the Grand Division may be elected a permanent member upon the petition of three other members, but such election must be by ballot in accordance with the provisions of Section 6, Article 3, of the Statute.

12. One representative from each division, except as hereinafter provided.

Each of the above enumerated members shall be furnished a credential on application to the Grand Secretary, and shall be entitled to one vote.

13. All members of the Order who are in good standing shall be honorary members of the Grand Division, entitled to admission during any of its sessions unless excluded by a majority vote, and upon application of the secretary of the division of which they are members, shall be furnished with credentials as such, by the Grand Secretary, upon payment of the prescribed fee.

JURISDICTION OF.

SEC. 2. The Grand Division shall be known as the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors, and it shall have exclusive jurisdiction over all divisions which are now in existence or may hereafter be constituted in North America, and to whose constitution, by-laws, edicts and resolutions all divisions and members of the Order shall render true obedience.

SESSIONS.

SEC. 3. All sessions of this Grand Division shall be regular or special. The Grand Division shall convene in regular session on the third Tuesday in October of each year, at 9:30 A. M., at such place as may be designated from time to time.

A special session of the Grand Division may be called by the Grand Chief Conductor or Executive Committee at any time when deemed necessary provided thirty days notice be given all divisions, but no business shall be transacted at such special session, except that specified in the call, and no legislation affecting the general interests of the Order shall be made, repealed or changed except at an annual session.

No annual session of this Grand Division shall be opened unless there are present the representatives of ten divisions, nor shall any special session be opened unless there are present the representatives of ten divisions, except for funeral, dedication, installation or other ceremonial exercises, when a special session may be opened by the Grand Chief Conductor or his deputy, without notice to divisions, and not less than five honorary or other members of the Grand Division.

ROLL OF MEMBERS AND OPENING OF.

SEC. 4. The Grand Secretary shall prepare as early as practicable, before the opening of each annual session of the Grand Division, a roll of members, placing thereon the names of all Grand Officers, permanent members and representatives of divisions which are entitled to representation, who present proper credentials. All others who claim seats shall be referred to the Grand Division, which body shall have exclusive jurisdiction over its members with power to revise, alter or add to the roll, subject to the limitations of this Constitution. After the opening of the Grand Division, no name except of a Grand Officer shall be added except by its order, and after 12:00 M. of the second day of each annual session, no name shall be added unless two-thirds of the members present vote in favor thereof.

The Grand Chief Conductor shall call to order at 9.30 A. M., or as soon thereafter as practicable, on the day designated for the opening of any session of the Grand Division, and if there be the constitutional number of representatives of divisions present, he shall proceed to open in regular form, if not he shall declare the meeting adjourned to meet semi-daily in accordance with Rule IV. of the Special Rules of Order, for three days, unless a constitutional number are present before the expiration of that time.

POWERS OF.

SEC. 5. The powers of the Grand Division are: First, Executive; second, Legislative; third, Judicial.

All general powers, executive, legislative and judicial, not expressly delegated to subordinate divisions, and all powers necessary to enforce or carry into effect this Constitution or any laws hereafter enacted, repose in this Grand Division. The judicial powers of this Grand Division may be exercised by the Grand Division or delegated, and are:

1. Original; embracing all matters of controversy arising between any of the divisions under its jurisdiction or the members of different divisions, and the enforcement of discipline on its own members and divisions under its jurisdiction.

2. Appellate; embracing all matters of controversy or discipline over which it has or has not original jurisdiction.

This Grand Division has also full power over and control of The Order of Railway Conductors' Mutual Life Insurance Association, and shall make all laws necessary to govern the same.

ARTICLE III.

GRAND OFFICERS — AMENABILITY OF.

SECTION 1. Every officer and member of this Grand Division must be a member of some Division under its jurisdiction, except in case the Division of which an officer is a member ceases to exist during his term of office, he may fill the unexpired term. Members of the Executive and Insurance Committees shall be considered Grand Officers, and during the recess of the Grand Division the Grand Officers are amenable only to the Executive Committee, and no one else can prefer charges against any of them during their term of office; Provided, this section shall not debar any person from making complaint to the Executive Committee, or from preferring charges against any Past Grand Officer for acts committed during his term of office.

COMPENSATION OF.

SEC. 2. The Grand Chief Conductor shall receive for his services for each day entirely devoted to the service of the Order the sum of five dollars per day, and shall, if practicable, visit every division during the year. He

shall pay his own personal expenses, but all expenses of his office shall be paid by the Grand Division.

The Grand Secretary and Treasurer shall receive for his services such compensation as the Grand Division may determine from time to time; provided, always, that no appropriation shall be made under this section until passed upon by the Committee on Finance.

ELECTION AND INSTALLATION OF.

SEC. 3. The election and installation of Grand Officers shall be the last order of business of each annual session of the Grand Division, and the term of all Grand Officers, except as hereinafter provided, shall be one year, but they shall serve until their successors are regularly installed. The retiring Grand Chief Conductor shall install the officers elect, except he waives his right or is re-elected, when he shall appoint some Past Grand Chief Conductor to perform the ceremony.

THE GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR—DUTIES OF.

SEC. 4. The Grand Chief Conductor is the official head of the Order, and as such it is his duty to preside at all sessions of the Grand Division, appoint the following standing committees, to consist of five members each:

1. On Reports of Grand Officers.
2. On Division Reports.
3. On Finance.
4. On Jurisprudence.
5. On Grievances and Appeals.

All special committees not otherwise provided for; a Marshal at the installation of officers and all processions of the Grand Division; decide all questions of order without debate, subject to appeal to the Grand Division by any member thereof; draw and sign all orders upon the Grand Treasurer, affixing his seal thereto; see that the laws of the Order are strictly observed; that the work on both degrees is exemplified by competent persons at every regular session of the Grand Division; that all Grand Officers faithfully perform their duties; possess such authority while the Grand Division is in session as appertains to his high office, and exercise all the executive functions of the Grand Division when it is not in session. He shall also be ex-officio the chairman of the Insurance Committee.

PRIVILEGES OF.

He may convene any division at any time, preside therein, inspect its work, correct its errors and require conformity to the regulations of the Order.

He may, on proper application, grant charters to institute new divisions, and letters of dispensation for the following purposes: To propose, elect and confer the degrees at the same meeting, to permit divisions to change

their time and place of meeting, to permit divisions to propose, elect and confer the degrees on persons who are not employed as conductors, provided they have served as conductors on surface railways the constitutional time, and provided the application for such dispensation is certified to by the Chief Conductor and Secretary of the division wishing to admit such persons, as being the unanimous wish of all the members present at a regular meeting, and further provided that such dispensation is approved by a majority of the Executive Committee, to hold public installation services and to elect and install officers when necessary. He may arrest the charter of any division, but such arrest shall only continue until the next regular session of the Grand Division, which body alone can revoke a charter. He may suspend from his official functions any officer of any division, but such suspension shall not deprive such officer of his standing in the Order or his right to represent his division in the Grand Division until his case has been adjudicated. He may appoint Deputy Grand Chief Conductors whenever he deems it necessary for the welfare of the Order, and at the opening of the Grand Division he shall submit an address setting forth *all* his official acts and expenditures, and such suggestions as he deems of interest to the Order.

DEPUTY GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTORS.

SEC. 5. A Deputy Grand Chief Conductor shall be for the time of his appointment the immediate representative of the Grand Chief Conductor, but shall possess only such power as is expressly delegated to him in his letter of appointment, and he shall immediately after the conclusion of the duty for which he was appointed, submit in writing a full and complete report of his action to the Grand Chief Conductor.

ASSISTANT GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR.

SEC. 6. It is the duty of the Assistant Grand Chief Conductor to assist the Grand Chief Conductor in the discharge of his duties as presiding officer during the meetings of the Grand Division, preside in his absence, and in case of his death, removal or resignation, the Assistant Grand Chief Conductor shall assume all the responsibilities and perform all the duties of the office of Grand Chief Conductor for the unexpired term.

THE GRAND SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

SEC. 7. It is the duty of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer to keep a true record of the proceedings of the Grand Division proper to be written, receive all fees and applications for charters, endorse such applications and forward the same to the Grand Chief Conductor, countersign all charters granted by the Grand Chief Conductor and all certificates of membership which may be presented to him properly filled out and signed by the Chief Conductor and Secretary of the division granting the same, the brother entitled thereto, and accompanied by the required fee, preserve the archives

and have charge of the books, papers and other property of the Grand Division, keep a register of all divisions with their date of organization and place of location, also a correct list of their members, attest all official documents, conduct the necessary correspondence of the Grand Division, receive and have custody and charge of *all* funds of the Grand Division from whatever source, and pay them out by order of the Grand Division or the Grand Chief Conductor, and perform such other duties as may be required by this Constitution or any laws or regulations hereafter adopted. He shall have power to provide himself with all books and stationery necessary to conduct the business of his office, and shall render vouchers for all supplies purchased by him, exhibit proper receipts for all money paid out, and, at the opening of the Grand Division, shall submit a correct report of all business transacted by him, giving a detailed statement of the progress of the Order, also of all funds received and expended, and before entering upon the duties of his office shall give a good and sufficient bond with surety or sureties satisfactory to the Grand Executive and Insurance Committees.

GRAND SENIOR CONDUCTOR.

Sec. 8. It is the duty of the Grand Senior Conductor to examine delegates and visiting brothers when not vouched for, and obey all orders of the Grand Chief Conductor.

GRAND JUNIOR CONDUCTOR.

Sec. 9. It is the duty of the Grand Junior Conductor to assist the Grand Senior Conductors in examinations, introduce and accommodate delegates and visiting brothers, carry messages and perform such other duties as the Grand Chief Conductor may direct.

GRAND INSIDE SENTINEL.

Sec. 10. It is the duty of the Grand Inside Sentinel to take charge of the inner door of the Grand Division room, observe the will of the Assistant Grand Chief Conductor and permit none to enter or leave without his permission.

GRAND OUTSIDE SENTINEL.

Sec. 11. It is the duty of the Grand Outside Sentinel to take charge of the outer door; see that it is properly secured when the Grand Division is open, permit no one to enter the ante-room without the usual form except by order of the Assistant Grand Chief Conductor, see that all are properly clothed before entering the Grand Division room, and perform such other duties as may be required.

ARTICLE IV.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE—POWERS OF.

SECTION 1. The Executive Committee shall consist of three members of whom the senior shall be chairman. They shall have full power to call a

special session of the Grand Division to try any Grand Officer against whom charges are preferred, and over all Grand Officers, and may suspend or remove any or all of them for cause, and fill any vacancies except the office of Grand Chief Conductor by appointment, until the next regular session of the Grand Division. They shall have free access to the books and papers of all Grand Officers, and the books of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer must be examined during the month of May of each and every year by some member of the committee or a competent person appointed by them, and a circular issued by them to all divisions, stating the condition of such books. The bonds of all Grand Officers, who may be required to give bonds, shall be subject to their approval, and they shall hold such bonds in trust, and at the opening of the Grand Division they shall submit in writing, by the chairman, a report of all business transactions by them during the year.

DUTIES OF.

SEC. 2. Should any Grand Officer conduct himself in a manner to bring disgrace upon the Order, or lower the dignity of his high office, it is the duty of the Executive Committee to immediately remove and prefer charges against him, and, when necessary, to call a special session of the Grand Division for trial, giving the accused and all divisions at least thirty days notice thereof.

ARTICLE V.

ELECTIONS — TELLERS OF.

SECTION 1. At each election of Grand Officers, the Grand Chief Conductor shall appoint three tellers whose duty it shall be to attend the ballot, collect and count the votes, and report the result to the Grand Chief Conductor, and it shall require a majority of all the votes cast to elect any officer.

WHO SHALL BE ELECTED.

SEC. 2. There shall be elected by ballot annually, a Grand Chief Conductor, Assistant Grand Chief Conductor, Grand Secretary and Treasurer, Grand Senior Conductor, Grand Junior Conductor, Grand Inside Sentinel, Grand Outside Sentinel, one member of the Executive Committee, and one member of the Insurance Committee, each to serve one year except the member of the Executive Committee, who shall serve *three* years, and the member of the Insurance Committee, who shall serve *two* years. No member except the Grand Chief Conductor shall be eligible to serve on the Insurance Committee unless he is a member of the Insurance Association.

CALLING OF ROLL.

SEC. 3. On all questions before the Grand Division for action, which require that two-thirds of the members present vote in the affirmative to

adopt, the roll shall be called and an aye and nay vote taken; on questions requiring a simple majority to adopt, the voting may be by the usual sign, but in case any member wishes a recorded vote, the roll must be called, and an aye and nay vote taken.

ARTICLE VI.

WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO GRAND OFFICES.

SECTION 1. All members of the Grand Division shall be eligible to any office therein, except as provided in Section 2, Article 5, so long as they remain members in good standing of divisions under the jurisdiction of this Grand Division.

TO REPRESENTATION IN THE GRAND DIVISION.

SEC. 2. All divisions which have filed their annual report with the Grand Secretary on or before the 10th day of October, and have paid their Grand dues and fees, as required by Sections 1 and 2, Article 9, of this Constitution, shall be entitled to representation in the Grand Division and no others, provided the Grand Division may by a two-thirds vote admit representatives from divisions which have failed to comply with the above.

TO REPRESENT A DIVISION.

SEC. 3. Any member of the Order, while he remains in good standing, shall be eligible as a representative of any division in the Grand Division, provided no member shall represent more than one division.

TO REPRESENTATION IN SPECIAL SESSION.

SEC. 4. In case a special session of the Grand Division is called, any division which may have been organized subsequent to the last annual session, shall be entitled to representation therein, and may elect a delegate to represent them, as hereinafter provided.

ARTICLE VII.

PAST GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTORS AND PERMANENT MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. The Junior Past Grand Chief Conductor present shall conduct the devotional exercises of the Grand Division, and all Past Grand Chief Conductors, while they remain members of the Grand Division, shall receive the consideration due the high office which they have filled, but should any past Grand Officer or permanent member be suspended or expelled from the Order, he shall forfeit all past official rank and membership in the Grand Division.

ARTICLE VIII.

REGALIAS AND EMBLEMS OF OFFICE—GRAND OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. The regalias of the Grand Officers shall be black silk velvet scarfs worn on the right shoulder, bound with gold lace, gold fringe on the lower side, a pair of clasped hands at the intersection, the letters "P. F." enclosed in a wreath and the following emblems embroidered in gold thereon.

Past Grand Chief Conductor—Open Book.
 Assistant Grand Chief Conductor—One Gavel.
 Grand Secretary and Treasurer—Pen and Key, crossed.
 Grand Senior Conductor—Two Staves, crossed.
 Grand Junior Conductor—One Staff.
 Grand Inside Sentinel—Two Swords, crossed.
 Grand Outside Sentinel—One Sword.
 Executive Committee—Pair of Balances.
 Insurance Committee—The words "*Memento Mori*."

DIVISION OFFICERS.

SEC. 2. The regalias of division officers shall be purple with white metal or silver embroidered emblems of office, and may be ornamented with silver or white metal as each division may determine.

MEMBERS.

SEC. 3. Members' regalias shall be as described in Section 2 of this article, without emblems of office.

SHALL NOT BE CHANGED.

SEC. 4. Neither the Grand Division or any division shall be required by the provisions of this article to change any regalias now in use until deemed expedient.

EMBLEMS OF OFFICE.

SEC. 5. The Grand Chief Conductor and Assistant Grand Chief Conductor shall each be provided with a gavel, the Grand Senior and Junior Conductors and Grand Inside and Outside Sentinels shall be provided with walnut staves six feet long with gilt metal tips. The corresponding officers of subordinate divisions shall be provided with the same emblems, except that the staves may be of soft wood painted black, and if tips are used they must be white.

Tips to be oval lance shape, with letters P. F. thereon.

ARTICLE IX.

REVENUE AND FUNDS.

SECTION 1. The revenue of this Grand Division shall be derived as follows :

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| 1. For every charter to form a new division | \$20 00 |
| 2. For every certificate of membership certified to by the
Grand Secretary..... | 25 |
| 3. For every traveling card issued by the Grand Secretary... | 25 |
| 4. For every Grand Division card issued to members of
defunct divisions..... | 1 00 |
| 5. For every credential issued to an honorary member..... | 1 00 |
| 6. For every person initiated into a division, except when
organized..... | 50 |
| 7. For every initiate who is promoted..... | 50 |
| 8. Every division shall pay annually for every member
reported in good standing on their annual report, as
Grand dues..... | 50 |

Grand dues may be increased at any time by the Grand Division, provided such increase shall in no case exceed two dollars

The fee for organizing new divisions shall be forty dollars, and there shall be furnished them, 1 charter, 8 rituals, 1 ledger, 50 constitutions, 1 seal, 25 certificates of membership, 25 petitions for membership, 50 notices of dues, 50 notices of meetings, 1 secretary's receipt book, and 1 treasurer's order book.

SEC. 2. Charter fees must accompany the application, initiation and promotion fees must be paid on or before the 16th day of October of each year for the preceding fiscal year, and when custom duties are paid, they shall be deducted from the organization fee. Grand dues must be paid on or before the first day of January of each year.

MINIMUM FEES.

SEC. 3. No person shall be initiated into this Order for a less sum than three dollars, nor shall any initiate be promoted for a less sum than two dollars, and the initiation fee must invariably accompany the petition. The fiscal year of the Order shall commence October 1st.

ARTICLE X.

TRIALS.

SECTION 1. All trials before this Grand Division shall be in conformity with the code as contained in Article 4 of the Statutes.

ARTICLE XI.

AMENDMENTS.

SECTION 1. This Constitution and Statutes can only be amended or changed as follows: All amendments shall be submitted in writing and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence; after being reported on by that committee, if a majority of the members present vote in favor thereof, they shall be printed with the minutes of proceedings and come up as unfinished business at the next regular session of the Grand Division, when, if *two-thirds* or the members present vote in favor thereof, they shall be adopted.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

The following order of business shall be observed at all regular sessions of the Grand Division, and shall not be suspended or set aside unless *two-thirds* are in favor thereof, except for special orders, reception of delegates' credentials, or the reports of standing committees, which reports shall be in order at any time after the sixth order is called.

1. Roll call of the Grand Division.
2. Appointment of Standing Committees.
3. Reports of Grand Officers.
4. Call of Divisions. (All matter submitted under this head will be referred to the proper committees.)
5. Unfinished Business.
6. Reports of Standing Committees.
7. New Business.
8. Reports of Special Committees.
9. Election of Grand Officers.
10. Installation of Grand Officers.

STATUTES.

ARTICLE I.

SUBORDINATE DIVISIONS.

OF WHOM COMPOSED.

SECTION 1. A chartered division under the jurisdiction of this Grand Division shall consist of a Chief Conductor, Assistant Chief Conductor, Secretary and Treasurer, Senior Conductor, Junior Conductor, Inside Sentinel, Outside Sentinel, and as many members as is convenient.

ELIGIBLE TO OFFICE AND TELLERS.

SEC. 2. Any brother in good standing shall be eligible to any office in the division of which he is a member, and at every election of officers the Chief Conductor shall appoint three members as tellers, whose duty it shall be to take charge of the ballot, count the votes, and report the result to the Chief Conductor.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 3. The officers of divisions shall be elected annually by ballot, at a special meeting appointed for that purpose by the division, which shall not be earlier than the 24th nor later than the 30th day of September, and of which the secretary shall duly notify every member, except that new divisions shall elect officers for the unexpired term, when organized, and a majority of all the members present shall be necessary to elect.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS.

SEC. 4. The officers elect shall be installed on the day of their election by the retiring Chief Conductor, unless the Grand Chief Conductor or his deputy be present: The Chief Conductor may waive his right to install officers and appoint a Past Chief Conductor of any division to perform the ceremony. After officers are installed they shall continue in office until their successors are duly installed.

DISPENSATION TO ELECT.

SEC. 5. Divisions failing to elect their officers at the required time or in case of vacancies by death or otherwise, which requires an election, must

apply for and receive from the Grand Chief Conductor a dispensation authorizing an election. Any Past Chief Conductor may preside in any division by request of the Chief Conductor or in the absence of the Chief Conductor and Assistant Chief Conductor by request of the division ; in case the Chief Conductor and Assistant Chief Conductor are both absent and no Past Chief Conductor present, the division may be called to order by any member and a Chief Conductor *pro tem* elected by acclamation, who shall open the division in regular form and preside therein, but for that meeting only. No division shall be opened or any business transacted unless there be present at least five members of that division.

ARTICLE II.

OFFICERS -- DUTIES OF CHIEF CONDUCTOR.

SECTION 1. It is the duty of the Chief Conductor to preside at all meetings of his division, preserve order therein, decide all questions of order subject to appeal to the division, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and a marshal at the installation of officers, and all processions of the division ; require a strict observance of all the laws of the Grand Division and his own division ; and he shall have the deciding vote in case of a tie, except for election of officers, appoint special meetings when necessary, giving due notice thereof, and perform such other duties as may be required of him by the laws and regulations of the Grand Division and the by-laws of the division of which he is the chief.

ASSISTANT CHIEF CONDUCTOR.

SEC. 2. It is the duty of the Assistant Chief Conductor to assist the Chief Conductor in the discharge of his duties, preside in the absence of, and in case of the death, removal or resignation of the Chief Conductor he shall assume the office and discharge all its duties for the unexpired term.

SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

SEC. 3. It is the duty of the Secretary and Treasurer to keep a true record of the proceedings of the division proper to be written, conduct the correspondence of the division, issue all notices, cards and other papers, and report all initiations, promotions, expulsions and reinstatements to the Grand Secretary immediately after their occurrence, giving names, dates and causes. He shall receive all funds of the division from whatever source, and have charge of and hold in trust whatever books, papers and money, keeping a just and true account thereof ; pay all orders drawn by the Chief Conductor by order of the division, and at the special meeting for election of officers he shall present an annual report, giving the number of persons proposed, accepted, rejected, initiated, promoted, admitted by card, with-

drew, suspended, expelled, reinstated and deceased, with dates and causes, together with a true statement of all funds received and paid with the necessary vouchers, and, at the expiration of his official term, shall deliver to his successor all books, papers, funds and other division property which may be in his possession, and may receive for his services such compensation as the division may determine.

SENIOR CONDUCTOR.

SEC. 4. It is the duty of the Senior Conductor, to examine visiting brothers when not vouched for, prepare and conduct candidates, and to observe and obey all orders of the Chief Conductor.

JUNIOR CONDUCTOR.

SEC. 5. It is the duty of the Junior Conductor to assist the Senior Conductor in the examination of visitors, prepare and conduct candidates, introduce and accommodate visitors, carry messages and perform such other duties as the Chief Conductor may direct.

INSIDE SENTINEL.

SEC. 6. It is the duty of the Inside Sentinel to take charge of the inner door of the division room, observe the will of the Assistant Chief Conductor, and permit none to enter or leave without his permission.

OUTSIDE SENTINEL.

SEC. 7. It is the duty of the Outside Sentinel to take charge of the outer door, see that it is properly secured when the division is open, permit no one to enter the ante-room without the usual form, except by order of the Assistant Chief Conductor, see that all are properly clothed before entering the division room, and perform such other duties as may be required.

MAY RESIGN.

SEC. 8. Any officer of a division may at any time resign by presenting a written resignation, which shall be read at a regular meeting by the secretary, and should charges be preferred against any officer, he shall immediately vacate his office, but if on trial he is acquitted, such acquittal shall restore him to his office.

ARTICLE III.

ORGANIZATION OF DIVISIONS.

SECTION 1. The conductors at any place, who wish to organize a division of the Order, shall apply to the Grand Secretary for a charter to organize; should the application be favorably considered, the Grand Chief Conductor shall instruct the Grand Secretary to issue a charter, properly signed, under the seal of the Grand Division, and forward the same with the

necessary paraphernalia to the proper person, who shall, upon receipt of the same, proceed to organize the division in accordance with the ritual of the Order, after which, the division shall proceed to elect officers, as provided in Sections 2 and 3 of Article 1 of these Statutes. The organizing officer shall then install the officers, and give the division proper instruction. No division shall be organized with less than seven members, and all applications for charters must be accompanied by the prescribed fee.

WHO ARE ELIGIBLE TO MEMBERSHIP.

SEC. 2. No person shall be eligible for admission to the Order unless he is actually employed as a conductor on a surface railway, and has had at least one year's experience as such, except as provided in Section 4, Article 3, of the Constitution

SHALL FILE WRITTEN PETITION.

SEC. 3. No person shall be initiated by any division of this Order until he has filed a written petition, in which the following questions are answered: "Have you ever applied for admission to the Order of Railway Conductors before?" "If so, when, and to what division?" And is recommended by three members of the division receiving the petition, who shall certify, that, to the best of their belief, he is a man of good moral character, and will, if admitted, be a worthy member.

USE OF ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.

SEC. 4 The use of alcoholic liquors as a beverage shall be sufficient cause for rejecting any petition for membership.

PETITIONS MUST BE REFERRED.

SEC. 5. All petitions for membership shall be referred to a committee of three, which committee shall investigate the character of the petitioner and report at the first regular meeting subsequent to their appointment, unless further time be granted by the division; no petition for initiation shall be considered unless accompanied by the prescribed fee, and should the petition be rejected, the fee shall be returned to the petitioner. Divisions may by a majority vote refuse to consider any petition.

DEFINING BALLOT.

SEC. 6. When a candidate has been proposed in regular form, and the committee has reported in his case, he shall be balloted for, and should there be more than two black balls, he shall be declared rejected; if only two the ballot shall be taken again, when, if two again appear, he shall be declared rejected; but if on either ballot *less* than two black balls appear, the candidate shall be declared duly elected, and the secretary shall notify him to appear at the appointed time for initiation.

**MUST APPEAR WITHIN TWO MONTHS AND JURISDICTION OF
REJECTED CANDIDATES.**

SEC. 7. Candidates who do not appear or present a satisfactory excuse within two months after being notified of their election, shall forfeit their initiation fee, and shall not be admitted without complying again with Sections 3, 5 and 6, of this Article. No division shall initiate a person whose petition has been rejected by another division in less time than one year from the time of such rejection, without the consent of the division rejecting, such consent to be given only after a ballot, as provided in Section 6 of this Article.

MUST PASS EXAMINATION.

SEC. 8. No initiate shall be promoted to the second degree until after having passed a creditable examination on the first degree in open division, except when both degrees are conferred at the same meeting, nor in any case, until a ballot has been taken upon his promotion, which ballot shall be as defined in Section 6 of this Article. Petitions for promotion may be made verbally in open division by any member thereof, but must be accompanied by a prescribed fee.

PROBATION.

SEC. 9. One month's probation must elapse between the initiation and promotion of any candidate, except in cases of necessity, when a majority vote of the division may suspend this section, and both degrees be conferred under such suspension, at one meeting.

DISPENSATIONS.

SEC. 10. Divisions desiring to propose, elect and confer the degrees on any person at one meeting, to change their time and place of meeting, and to hold public installation of officers, may do so after receiving from the Grand Chief Conductor a letter of dispensation authorizing them to do so. All applications for dispensations must be certified to by the Chief Conductor and Secretary under the division seal, as being the wish of the division, expressed by two-thirds of the members present voting in favor thereof.

MAY WAIVE JURISDICTION.

SEC. 11. No division shall confer either degree on a person who has been elected in any other division except by written request of the division electing, and such person after receiving the second degree shall sign the by-laws and become a member of the division which received his petition, provided any division may, by a majority vote, waive their jurisdiction over a candidate and permit him to receive the degrees in and become a member of any other division.

MAY PROTEST.

SEC. 12. Any member of a division may protest against the initiation or promotion of any candidate in that division, and shall have thirty days to file his reasons and prepare evidence, and any candidate so objected to shall not be advanced without due consideration being given to the protest, or until the thirty days have expired, should the protestor fail to present evidence in less time. Any division or member thereof may protest against the initiation or promotion of any candidate in any other division and shall have sixty days to file reasons and prepare evidence, and any candidate so objected to shall not be advanced without due consideration being given to the protest, or until the sixty days have expired should the protestor fail to present evidence in less time. Should five members of a division protest against the advancement of a candidate in that division said candidate shall be declared rejected regardless of a previous ballot, nor shall the protestors be required to give any reason for their protest.

SEAL.

SEC. 13. Each division shall be provided with a seal by the Grand Secretary with the name and number of the division, and the words "Order of Railway Conductors" on the margin, the motto of the Order, and such device as each division may determine in the center, and all official papers emanating from a division must bear an impression of their seal, and none will be legal without

ARTICLE IV.—TRIALS.

DUTY OF MEMBERS.

SECTION 1. Every member of the Order shall hold himself in duty bound to recognize any other member in good standing as a brother, and shall not traduce or slander his character or willfully injure him in any way whatever. Should it come to the knowledge of any member that any other member has conducted himself in a manner unbecoming a brother, and which may bring disgrace upon the Order, it is his duty to prefer charges against the offending brother at the first regular meeting of the division.

CHARGES—MANNER OF PREFERRING.

SEC. 2. All charges must be in writing and in the following form :

I, A. B., do hereby charge C. D., a member of _____ Division No. _____ of the Order of Railway Conductors, with unbecoming conduct, (or violating his obligation as the case may be,) to wit :

Specification 1st.—In that the said C. D. did on or about the _____ day of _____ — 18—.

When the charge is for a continued crime the specification may read "and habitually since that time." otherwise there must be a separate specification for each action; when for non-payment of dues the specification shall read "has since the ——— day of ——— 18— willfully neglected (or refused,) to pay his dues, in violation of Section 5, Article 5, of these Statutes.

WHO MAY PREFER.

SEC. 3. Charges may be preferred by any person against any member of the Order, whether he be a member of a division or not, and any division, cognizant of any offense committed by a brother who is not a member of a division shall have jurisdiction to try the said brother, provided the case shall, upon a written request being filed by the accused, be transferred to any other division named by him

DUTY OF THE CHIEF CONDUCTOR.

SEC. 4. When charges are preferred against any member it is the duty of the Chief Conductor to appoint a time for the trial, which may be at a regular or special meeting, but in no case less than thirty days from the time charges are preferred. He shall also direct the Secretary to notify every member of the division and all other members directly interested, of the trial at least ten days previous, and to *personally* notify the accused ten days previous by presenting him with a certified copy of the charges and the names of the witnesses expected to testify. He shall when so requested, and may whenever he deems it necessary, appoint some member to assist either in the prosecution or in the defense of the accused.

DUTIES OF THE SECRETARY.

SEC. 5. It is the duty of the Secretary when charges are preferred against any member to issue a written notice, giving date and hour of the trial to every member of the division, and all other members of the Order directly interested, and make and personally present to the accused a certified copy of the charges with the names of the witnesses expected to testify, at least ten days previous, entering on the filing of the original charges the date of service. In case personal service is impracticable he shall send a certified copy by mail to the accused, at least fifteen days previous to the trial, entering on the original charges the date of mailing and reason why personal service could not be had.

TESTIMONY.

SEC. 6. The testimony of members shall be taken on their honor as members of the Order, and may be taken either in open division or when necessary before a committee appointed for that purpose, the Chief Conductor or chairman of the committee requiring them to assent to the following affirmation before testifying: "You do solemnly affirm upon your

honor as a member of the Order of Railway Conductors, that the evidence that you shall give in this case, wherein Bro. C. D. is defendant, shall be the truth and nothing but the truth."

Testimony of persons not members of the Order may be taken *before a committee* under oath administered by a competent person.

WHO SHALL PROSECUTE.

SEC. 7. The person preferring charges shall present with the charges the names of witnesses by whom he expects to prove them, and if a member of the Order he shall be the prosecutor unless relieved by the Chief Conductor; if not a member of the Order the Chief Conductor shall appoint some member to prosecute, provided that if the person preferring the charges so requests. All evidence shall be taken before a committee and he shall have the right to be present and examine witnesses.

TESTIMONY BEFORE COMMITTEES.

SEC. 8. All testimony taken before committees must be recorded in full and certified to as correct by every member of the committee before which it is taken before it is admitted as evidence in the trial before the division.

BALLOTING.

SEC. 9. The question of the guilt of a brother on trial shall be decided by ballot, and a majority of the members present shall be necessary to convict. The Chief Conductor shall announce as follows before the ballot: "Brothers, you are now about to decide by the evidence you have heard, whether Bro. ——— is guilty as charged or not; *black ball* convicts, the *white ball* acquits; be careful how you vote and let no personal feeling bias your judgment or influence you to do justice to a brother." No member shall be permitted to vote upon the question of the guilt of a brother who has not been present during the whole trial or heard all the evidence read, and before a ballot is taken upon the guilt, suspension or expulsion of a brother, the Chief Conductor shall require the accused and all who are not members of the division to retire to the ante-room until the ballot is finished, and any division may exclude from any trial all visiting brothers not directly interested therein.

PENALTIES.

SEC. 10. After a brother has been adjudged guilty the following penalties may be affixed:

1. Expulsion.
2. Suspension.
3. Reprimand.

No member shall be suspended or expelled, except as hereinafter provided, unless two-thirds of the members present vote in favor thereof.

After any brother has been adjudged guilty the Chief Conductor shall order a ballot on expulsion and shall announce as follows: "Brothers, you are now about to ballot on the expulsion of Brother ——— from the Order; the *black* ball expels, the *white* ball retains." Should less than two-thirds of the members vote in favor of expulsion, they shall proceed to ballot in the same manner on the suspension of the offending brother, and should less than two-thirds vote in favor of suspension the Chief Conductor shall appoint a special meeting, of which all members of the division shall be notified by the Secretary, at which, either he or some person appointed by him, shall reprimand the offending brother, and should such offending brother refuse or willfully neglect to appear and receive the reprimand, after being duly notified, he shall without further action be suspended from the Order.

VIOLATION OF OBLIGATIONS.

SEC. 11. Should any brother be convicted of violating the obligation of either degree, or engaging in a strike, he shall be expelled without further action.

RECORD RESULTS.

SEC. 12. The result of every ballot on guilt, suspension and expulsion must be recorded in full in the minutes of proceedings, giving the number of votes for and against.

• NOTIFY GRAND SECRETARY AND SUPERINTENDENTS.

SEC. 13. The Secretary shall immediately notify the Grand Secretary of all suspensions and expulsions, giving date and cause, and when for drunkenness or engaging in a strike, shall notify the Superintendent of the road on which the member is employed.

ARTICLE V.

SUSPENDED AND EXPELLED MEMBERS—SUSPENSIONS INDEFINITE.

SECTION 1. Suspensions shall always be indefinite, and suspended members may petition for reinstatement at any time. Such petition must be in writing, and shall be granted only when recommended by three members of the division, and a ballot as provided in Section 6, Article 3.

ELIGIBILITY OF SUSPENDED MEMBERS.

SEC. 2. No expelled member shall be eligible for re-admission in less than six months from date of his expulsion, and then can only be admitted as provided in Sections 2, 3, 5 and 6, of Article 3.

MUST BE OBLIGATED.

SEC. 3. Suspended members reinstated (except those suspended for non-payment of dues), and expelled members re-admitted must be obligated, but other ceremony may be omitted.

MAY PETITION OTHER DIVISIONS.

SEC. 4. Suspended and expelled members, except those suspended for non-payment of dues, may petition other divisions for admission, as provided in Section 3 of Article 3, but no such petition shall be acted upon until the consent of the division which suspended or expelled the petitioner has been obtained, and such consent shall only be given after a ballot has been taken thereon, as provided in Section 6 of Article 2. In case the division which suspended or expelled the petitioner has become defunct, the Grand Division may, at a regular session, grant the necessary permission, provided two-thirds of the members present vote in favor thereof.

NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

SEC. 5. When a member of any division becomes six months in arrears for dues or assessments, the secretary shall prefer charges, and shall notify the brother to appear at the next regular meeting, and show cause why he should not be suspended for non-payment of dues, when, should he fail to appear or give satisfactory excuse, he may be suspended by a majority vote, provided that divisions may, by a majority vote, excuse the payment or remit the dues or assessments of any member. Members suspended for non-payment of dues shall be restored to full membership in their division by the payment of *all* dues to the date of their suspension.

APPEALS.

SEC. 6. Any member shall have the right to appeal from the decision of any division, and when notice of appeal is given, the secretary shall forward to the Grand Secretary a certified copy of the charges, evidence taken, and all minutes of proceedings in any way relating thereto, and the Grand Secretary shall duly present such appeal to the first regular session of the Grand Division, together with all papers relating thereto.

ARTICLE VI.

DEATHS.

SECTION 1. In case of the death of any member in good standing, it is the duty of the Chief Conductor to appoint a committee to inquire as to the pecuniary condition of the family of the deceased brother, and should the committee report that they need assistance, it is the duty of every member of the division to see that they *are* assisted by all honorable and reasonable means, and are not allowed to suffer or be neglected, and they shall extend over them their protection and care so long as they may need it.

ARTICLE VII.

CARDS--WITHDRAWAL CARDS.

SECTION 1. A withdrawal card shall be granted on application to any member who is in good standing, and whose dues are *all* paid, and shall state name, age, occupation, and date of initiation and promotion of the recipient, also how and when admitted to the division.

When a member holding a withdrawal card has deposited it with another division, and petitioned for membership therein, he shall be balloted for, and a majority vote shall elect him.

TRAVELING CARDS.

SEC. 2. There shall be a traveling card for the use and benefit of members of the Order, and it shall be issued by the Grand Secretary to any member of the Order, who is a member in good standing of any division. These cards shall be good only six months from date of issue, and must, in all cases, state the occupation of, and be signed by the person to whom issued. They will be consecutively numbered, and in no case will a second one be issued to any person until the first one is returned to the Grand Secretary, or a satisfactory reason given for its non-return. All applications for traveling cards must be made by the Secretary or Chief Conductor of the division of which the applicant is a member, under the division seal, and be accompanied by a fee of twenty-five cents, as provided in Section 1 of Article 9 of the Constitution, and such application shall be *prima facie* evidence that the applicant is in good standing. When a member holding a traveling card is suspended or expelled, the Grand Secretary shall notify each division, and publish in the official paper, if there be one, the name of the holder, number and date of such card, and any member to whom it is presented shall take it up and forward it immediately to the Grand Secretary. No application for a traveling card shall be forwarded by the Chief Conductor or Secretary of any division, unless the applicant's dues are paid six months in advance from the date of the application.

GRAND DIVISION CARDS.

SEC. 3. Any member of any defunct division, who presents satisfactory proof that he was in good standing at the time of dissolution, or any member who was suspended or in arrears for dues, upon payment of the amount due to the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, shall on application and payment of the constitutional fee, receive a card signed by the Grand Secretary under the seal of his office, which shall entitle him to admission to any division, as provided in Section 1 of this Article, within six months from the date thereof.

ARTICLE VIII.

ANNUAL REPORTS.

SECTION 1. Each division shall make out an annual report on blanks furnished by the Grand Secretary, and, in accordance with his instructions, which report must be forwarded in time to reach the Grand Secretary by the 10th day of October of each year, and any division failing to comply with the provisions of this Section, shall not be entitled to representation in the Grand Division, nor shall they receive the annual pass-word until their returns are properly made out and filed in the office of the Grand Secretary.

GRAND DUES AND DIVISIONS IN ARREARS.

SEC. 2. Grand dues must be paid on all who are members at the time of making the annual report, and no division shall be entitled to representation in the Grand Division, or to receive the annual pass-word who are in arrears to the Grand Division more than \$5.00, provided this section may be suspended, and the representative of any division admitted, if two-thirds of the members present vote in favor thereof.

REGULAR MEETINGS.

SEC. 3. Every division shall hold at least one regular meeting in each month, and a failure to hold regular meetings for three consecutive months, shall subject the charter of the division so failing to arrest, in the discretion of the Grand Chief Conductor.

LOCAL LAWS

SEC. 4. All divisions shall have power to enact such by-laws for their government as they may deem necessary, provided they do not conflict with this Constitution and Statutes.

VISITING MEMBERS.

SEC. 5. Members wishing to visit a division if not vouched for must, in every case, be required to take the test-oath as given in the ritual, before being examined. No brother shall be competent to vouch for another unless they have been in open division together.

ARTICLE IX.

DEFUNCT DIVISIONS—SURRENDER OF CHARTER.

SECTION 1. Any division wishing to surrender their charter shall notify the Grand Chief Conductor, who will appoint some responsible brother, who will take full charge of the charter and all property of the division, make a

full statement of the membership and all property and indebtedness, including the names of all members who may be suspended or in arrears for dues, with the amount due from each, which statement he shall immediately forward with the charter, books, seal and all money remaining after *bona fide* debts of the division have been paid, to the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, who will direct as to the disposal of any remaining property, and, after such directions have been received, they must be strictly complied with.

ARREST OF CHARTER.

SEC. 2. In case any charter is arrested the Grand Chief Conductor shall appoint a brother who shall proceed as provided in Section 1 of this Article.

RETENTION OF PROPERTY.

SEC. 3. Any brother or brothers who shall retain any property of any division, whose charter has been surrendered or arrested, or who shall in any manner obstruct, or willfully neglect or refuse to assist in the discharge of his duties, any brother who has been appointed by authority of Sections 1 or 2 of this Article, shall, upon satisfactory proof of the same being presented to the Grand Division, be expelled from the Order, a majority vote to decide the question of proof.

USE OF PROPERTY.

SEC. 4. The Grand Secretary and Treasurer is hereby authorized to use any property returned by defunct divisions for the best interest of the Order, provided no property of any division whose charter has been arrested by the Grand Chief Conductor shall be used until such arrest has been confirmed by the Grand Division.

ARTICLE X.

POLITICS AND RELIGION.

SEC. 1. The influence or sympathy of this Order shall never be used in favor of any political or religious organization whatever, and no political or religious discussion whatever shall ever be permitted in any meeting of any division.

SPECIAL RULES OF ORDER.

I.—GENERAL RULES.

The rules of order, for the government of the deliberations of this Grand Division, shall be as laid down in the revised edition of "Cushing's Manual of Parliamentary Practice," except as provided in the following special rules.

II.—SUSPENSIONS.

Any rule or order, special or general, may be suspended at any time provided two-thirds of the members present vote in favor thereof, and further provided that such suspension shall only be for action upon *one* question.

III.—ALTERATIONS AND AMENDMENTS.

These special rules may be altered or amended, or new ones adopted, under the proper order of business at any regular session of the Grand Division, provided two-thirds of the members present vote in favor thereof.

IV.—DAILY SESSIONS.

The daily sessions of the Grand Division shall conform as nearly as practicable to the following hours: Morning session, 9:30 A. M. to 12:30 P. M. Afternoon session, 2:30 P. M. to 5:30 P. M., provided this rule may be suspended by a majority vote at any time.

V.—ROLL CALL.

The roll shall be called at the opening of every session, unless omitted by general consent (see Manual, rule 21, 22,) and any member arriving more than 20 minutes after roll call shall present a satisfactory excuse, on pain of reprimand by the Grand Chief Conductor.

VI.—ABSENTEES.

No member shall absent himself from any session of this Grand Division, after presenting his credentials, without first obtaining the consent thereof, and any member so doing shall be subject to discipline.

VII.—SUBSIDIARY MOTIONS.

When a question is under debate, no motion shall be received except as follows:

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| 1. Questions of Privilege, | { 1. Privileged questions proper. |
| | { 2. Order of the day, or special order. |
| 2. Incidental questions, | { 1. Questions of order. |
| | { 2. Reading of papers. |
| | { 3. Withdrawal of a motion. |
| | { 4. Suspension of a rule. |
| 3. To commit or re-commit. | |
| 4. To lay on the table. | |
| 5. To make a special order. | |
| 6. To amend. | |
| 7. To postpone indefinitely. | |
| 8. For the previous question. | |

Which several questions shall have preference in the order in which they are arranged.

VIII.—PREVIOUS QUESTION.

When the previous question is moved, the mover shall, when he makes the motion, state whether his object is to suppress *the question* or *debate*. If the object is to suppress *the question*, the form shall be: Shall the main question be put. If decided in the negative, the main question shall be suppressed entirely. When the object is to suppress *debate*, the form shall be: Shall the main question be *now* put. If decided in the negative, the debate shall continue; but if either question be decided in the affirmative, the main question shall be put to vote immediately without further debate.

IX.—ADJOURNMENT.

As this Grand Division never adjourns but always closes, general rules Nos. 137 to 140a. are null and void. When the close of any daily session of the Grand Division interrupts any question, such question shall not thereby be removed, but its consideration shall be resumed upon the opening of the next daily session.

X.—DIVISION OF A QUESTION.

Any proposition containing two or more distinct questions, shall, upon the request of any member, be divided and the questions considered separately.

XI.—FILLING BLANKS.

In filling blanks in any proposition, the question shall first be taken on the largest sum or longest time proposed.

XII.—APPEALS.

Any member may appeal from any decision of the Grand Chief Conductor, and the question shall be: Shall the decision of the Grand Chief Conductor be sustained? If one-third of the members present vote in the affirmative the decision shall be *sustained*, if less than one-third vote in the affirmative the decision shall be *reversed*.

XIII.—DEBATE.

No member shall be allowed, except by general consent, to speak more than twice on any question, provided the mover shall have the privilege of closing the debate. Nor shall any member speak more than five minutes at one time, except by general consent. The following motions shall not be debatable: To take up orders of the day, or special orders; to read papers; to withdraw a motion: to lay on the table, and for the previous question.

XIV.—IN CASE OF A TIE VOTE.

The Grand Chief Conductor is entitled to a vote on all questions before the Grand Division, and in case of a tie he shall have the casting vote, except for election of officers.

XV.—MEMBERS MUST VOTE.

It is the absolute duty of every member to vote on all questions before the Grand Division, and a member can only be excused from voting by a majority vote of the Grand Division, except as provided in general rule No. 41.

XVI.—RECONSIDERATION.

When the vote on a question has been by the usual sign, any member may move a reconsideration, but when the vote has been by call of members a reconsideration can be moved only by a member who voted with the majority

XVII.—COMMITTEES.

The five standing committees of this Grand Division shall have power to sit during any session thereof, and all select committees shall, unless otherwise ordered, consist of three members each, and report to the session of the Grand Division by which they were appointed.

XVIII.—REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Reports of committees may be received by general consent, but if any objection is made the question must be submitted to vote. When a report is received by the Grand Division, if no order is made to "lay on the table," or for a "special order," it shall be immediately considered.

XIX.—READING MINUTES.

The Grand Secretary's minutes of the business transacted shall be read, corrected and approved just before the close of each daily session.

FUNERAL SERVICE.

ORDER OF PROCESSION.

Two Sentinels with Staffs.

Marshal.

Musicians.

Members, two and two.

Junior and Senior C., with Staffs.

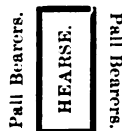
Secretary and Treasurer.

Past Chief Conductors,

A. C. C. and Junior P. C. C. (who is the chaplain of the division).

Chief Conductor.

Officiating Clergyman,



Chief Mourner.

Public.

On arriving at a proper distance from the grave, the brethren open order, halt, and face inward, to allow the latter part of the procession to pass between them in the following order :

Officiating Clergyman.

Pall Bearers with Coffin.

Chief Mourners.

C. C.

A. C. C. and Junior P. C. C.

Past Chief Conductors.

Secretary and Treasurer.

Junior and Senior Conductors.

Members.

Sentinels.

Public.

The brethren right and left on each side of the grave, forming a circle around it, the public standing outside of the circle. All the brothers should wear white gloves, and black crape on the left arm.

BURIAL SERVICE.

MY PROTHERS :—God in his all-wise providence has removed from our midst a beloved brother, and while performing the last sad rites in memory of him who has gone before, let us not forget that we are mortal and that all things are born to die. Our feet once more tread consecrated ground—consecrated as the last resting place of the unnumbered dead. Let us not be like those who, having eyes “see not,” and having ears “hear not,” the things which so nearly concern their spiritual salvation, but let us so live, that, dying, we truthfully say, “Oh, death, where is thy sting? Oh, grave, where is thy victory?” While we drop the sympathetic tear over the grave of our deceased brother, let us cast around his foibles, whatever they may have been, the broad mantle of charity, nor withhold from his memory the commendation that his virtues claim at our hands.

Perfection on earth has never yet been attained; the wisest, as well as the best, of men have gone astray. Suffer, then, the apologies of human nature to plead for him who can no longer plead for himself. Let the memory of the departure of our brother, whose remains are deposited in the narrow house appointed for all living, sink deep into our hearts, and be a lasting admonition to us. May the chain of friendship formed by such links as the one we here lose, serve to unite us more closely in spirit with those who have forged it; may each remaining link be brought to a white heat in the fires of love; and forged on the anvil of truth, may they be strong as steel, yet light as air, keeping us bravely to the duties of life, and when the chain of human bondage shall be broken, may they become flowers of eternal brightness in that garden from whence cometh exceeding peace. And when we shake from our feet the dust of this city of the dead, let the lesson inculcated here be so inscribed on our memories, that it may be a lasting benefit to each and every one of us: if this is not so, then our present meeting and proceedings will have been in vain and useless. Be then persuaded, my brethren, by the uncertainty of human life, and the unsubstantial nature of all its pursuits, and no longer postpone the all-important concerns of preparing for eternity. Let us embrace the present moment, and while time and opportunity offer, prepare for that great change, when the pleasures of the world shall be as poison to our lips, and happy reflections of a well-spent life afford the only consolation. Thus shall our hopes be not frustrated, nor we hurried unprepared into the presence of that all-wise and powerful Judge, to whom the secrets of every heart are known. Let us resolve to maintain with greater assiduity the dignified character of our profession. May our faith

be convinced in a correct and moral walk and deportment : may our hope be as bright as the glorious mysteries that will be revealed hereafter, and our charity as boundless as the wants of our fellow creatures. And having faithfully discharged the great duties which we owe to God, our neighbors and ourselves, when at last it shall please the Grand Chief Conductor of the Universe to summon us unto His eternal presence, may our whole lives pass such inspection, that it may be given unto each of us to hear from Him those blessed words, "Enter thou into the rest that remaineth for the people of God."

To the family of our deceased brother, who now seem to be like those without hope, we can only refer to Him who has promised to be a husband to the widow and a father to the fatherless, and whose loving care will protect all those who put their trust in Him.

PRAYER.

Oh, God, in this dark and trying hour of calamity and sorrow, we humbly lift our hearts to Thee. Thou hast mercifully said in Thy holy word, that the bruised reed Thou wouldst not break. Remember in mercy, O Lord, those before Thee. Be Thou, at this hour, the father of the fatherless and the widow's God. Administer to them the consolations which they so sorely need. Cause us to look away from these sad scenes of frail mortality to the hopes which lie beyond the grave, and bind us yet closer together in the ties of brotherly love and affection. While we see how frail is man and how uncertain the continuance of our lives upon the earth, and are reminded of our own mortality, lead us by Thy grace and spirit to turn our thoughts to those things which are for our everlasting peace, and give us a frame of mind to make a proper improvement of all the admonitions of Thy providence, and fix our thoughts more devotedly on Thee, the only sure refuge in time of need. And at last, when our earthly pilgrimage shall be ended, "when the silver cord shall be loosed and the golden bowl be broken." O, wilt Thou, in that moment of mortal extremity, be indeed our Grand Chief Conductor. May "the lamp of thy love" dispel the gloom of the dark valley, and we be enabled, by the help of Thy Son Jesus, to gain admission into the Grand Division above, and in Thy glorious presence enjoy a union with the spirits of the departed, perfect as in the happiness of heaven, and durable as the eternity of God. Amen.

RESPONSES—As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be. Amen.

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GOVERNING THE

ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS'

MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION,

REVISED BY

W. P. DANIELS AND H. S. CHAPMAN,

AND ADOPTED BY

THE FOURTEENTH GRAND DIVISION,

BUFFALO, N. Y., OCTOBER 4TH, 1881.

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PREAMBLE.

WHEREAS: The Conductors' Brotherhood by their Grand Officers and Representatives in Grand Division assembled, at the second regular session thereof, held in the city of Columbus, Ohio, commencing on the 15th day of December, A. D. 1868, in order to provide a fund for the benefit of the heirs of deceased members thereof, did organize and institute the Conductors' Brotherhood Mutual Life Insurance Association ; and

WHEREAS: The Constitution of the Order of Railway Conductors, the legitimate successor of the Conductors' Brotherhood, provides for the continuation and government of the Association under the name and title of the Order of Railway Conductors' Mutual Life Insurance Association ;

Therefore: The Order of Railway Conductors, by their Grand Officers and Representatives in Grand Division assembled at the fourteenth regular communication thereof, do enact, ordain and establish the following laws for the government of the Order of Railway Conductors' Mutual Life Insurance Association, to take effect and be in full force on and after January 1st, 1882, and all former laws are hereby repealed.

INSURANCE LAWS.

ARTICLE I.

TITLE.

This Association shall be known under the name and title of the Order of Railway Conductors' Mutual Life Insurance Association of North America, and shall be under the control and government of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors.

ARTICLE II.

OBJECT.

Its object is to aid and benefit the families of deceased and disabled members of the Order of Railway Conductors.

ARTICLE III.

WHO MAY BECOME MEMBERS.

Any member of any division of the Order who is in good standing may become a member of this Association, provided he is in good health and free from any disability, and should any member be suspended or expelled from the Order he shall not forfeit his membership in the Association so long as he shall pay all assessments.

ARTICLE IV.

OFFICERS.

The officers of this Association shall consist of an Executive Committee, a Secretary and a Local Secretary in each division. The Executive Committee shall be appointed by the Grand Division; the Grand Secretary shall be ex-officio the Secretary of the Association, and all division secretaries shall be ex-officio the local secretaries of the Association.

ARTICLE V.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee shall be the executive head of the Association, and shall decide any question of dispute which may arise during recess

of the Grand Division, such decision to be final until passed upon by the Grand Division, and all death or disability claims shall be subject to their examination, and no claim shall be paid until approved by a majority. In case a majority report adversely, the claim shall be held in abeyance until passed upon by the Grand Division, and at every regular session of the Grand Division they shall submit, through their chairman, a written report of all business transacted by them.

ARTICLE VI.

THE SECRETARY.

X The Grand Secretary shall keep a true record of all the business of the Association, keep a register of the members with the number and date of certificate issued, receive and hold in trust all funds of the Association : and for each claim approved by the Executive Committee, except as provided in Article 5, he shall, within thirty days of the receipt of notice of approval, pay to the proper person one dollar for each and every member of the Association who was in good standing at the time of the death or disability for which such claim was made, provided no claim shall exceed two thousand dollars, and he shall submit a correct report annually, or oftener if required by the Executive Committee, of all business transacted by him, number of members and condition of the Association, and exhibit proper vouchers for all expenditures. His books shall at all times be subject to the inspection of any member of the Executive Committee of this Association or any person appointed by them.

ARTICLE VII.

LOCAL SECRETARIES.

The Local Secretary in each division shall attend to the business of the Association in the division of which he is secretary, forward to the Grand Secretary all proper applications for membership with the required fee, keep a correct list of the members of the Association in his division, perform such other duties as are required by these laws or by any hereafter adopted, and shall be responsible to his division for the faithful performance of the same.

ARTICLE VIII.

APPLICATIONS.

All applications for membership must be made in writing to the secretary, and every applicant must certify before the local secretary for the division of which he is a member that he is in good health, free from any disability, and to the best of his knowledge and belief he is subject to no hereditary disease. Such certificate must be verified by the Local Secretary under seal of the division, and applications must invariably be accompanied by the required fee. Applications must also be recommended by three

members of the Association or of the Order, who shall certify to the truth of the application, and must be accompanied by a physician's certificate of good health. Any member of the Association may protest against the admission of any person. When the application is in due form, there is no protest, and the secretary knows of no cause why a certificate should not issue, he shall immediately issue it in accordance with Article 10. When a protest is entered against the admission of any person, all papers shall be referred to the Executive Committee, but any person may appeal from their decision to the Grand Division, and they shall present such appeal with all papers pertaining thereto to the Grand Division at its first regular session thereafter.

ARTICLE IX.

FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS.

Fraudulent or false statements to procure the issue of a certificate shall be sufficient cause for the revocation of the same or for the non-payment of any claim.

ARTICLE X.

MEMBERSHIP.

Applicants for membership, if accepted, shall be duly accredited as members from the date of their application, and certificates must be dated to correspond with applications.

ARTICLE XI.

FEES.

A fee of two dollars and fifty cents will be required of every person becoming a member of this Association, which fee must be forwarded with the application to the Grand Secretary. Two dollars of this sum shall be placed on deposit to pay claims against the Association, and fifty cents shall be covered into the treasury of the Grand Division to pay the expenses of the Association.

ARTICLE XII.

ASSESSMENTS, FORFEITURES AND REINSTATEMENTS.

Whenever a claim is paid by the Secretary he shall immediately issue a notice to every member of the Association, giving the name of the person on whose account the claim was paid, amount and all other particulars. He shall also, except as provided in Article 16, notify each one to forward immediately, to him, one dollar, which shall be placed with the reserve fund for the payment of future claims, and any member who fails to pay any assessment within 30 days from the date of the notice thereof, shall forfeit

his membership in the Association and all right to any benefit therein, provided such member may be restored by paying all delinquent assessments within ninety days from the date of his forfeiture, accompanied by a certificate from three members of the Order that he is in good health.

ARTICLE XIII.

DELINQUENTS.

No claim shall be paid on the account of the decease or injury of any person who was delinquent on assessments at the time of such decease or injury.

ARTICLE XIV.

DEATH CLAIMS.

When the death of a member of this Association occurs, the Local Secretary where he belonged shall immediately transmit to the Chairman of the Executive Committee a report of such death certified to, when possible, by three members of the Association, otherwise by five members of the Order who are in good standing; such report shall contain the name and address of the person to whom the insurance is payable, and must be accompanied by the certificate of a physician or coroner, stating the cause of death, upon receipt of which the chairman shall submit it to the remaining members of the committee, and if approved he shall order it paid.

ARTICLE XV.

DISABILITY CLAIMS.

Should any member of this Association become totally disabled by accident or disease, and shall furnish a certificate signed by two competent physicians and five members of the Association, when possible, otherwise by five members of the Order in good standing, giving date and cause of disability, and certifying that to their honest belief the claimant is and will ever remain totally disabled from performing any labor whereby he can maintain himself or family, the Local Secretary shall forward such certificate to the Chairman of the Executive Committee, who shall proceed as provided in Article 14, and such member shall thereafter be an honorary member not entitled to any further benefits; provided no claim shall be paid when death or disability is caused by intoxication or venereal disease, and further provided that the loss of eyesight, a hand, foot or a limb, shall also constitute total disability within the meaning of this Article, and every disability claim shall be paid as soon as the disability is proven to be permanent.

ARTICLE XVI.

AMOUNT OF INSURANCE.

No claim paid by this Association shall exceed two thousand dollars, and whenever the amount on deposit for that purpose is sufficient to pay

three or more full claims, no assessment shall be made on account of the first one paid.

ARTICLE XVII.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS — TRANSFERS.

It is the duty of the local secretaries to immediately notify the Grand Secretary of any change in the address of any members of the Association in their respective divisions, and it is the duty of every member to notify both the Grand Secretary and the local secretary where they belong, of any change in their address, and the Association shall not be responsible for any delinquencies which may occur through any failure to notify the Grand Secretary of change in address. When a member joins a division by card and presents with such card a certificate of membership in this Association and a receipt for the payment of last assessment, the local secretary shall place his name upon the insurance roll in that division, and if by a withdrawal card, he shall notify the local secretary of the division which issued the card.

ARTICLE XVIII.

DESIGNATE PERSON TO WHOM BENEFIT IS PAYABLE.

In all cases an applicant shall designate in his application some person or persons to whom the benefit shall be paid in the event of his death, and the Grand Secretary shall enter such designated name or names upon the Register of the Association, and also upon the Certificate of Membership. Any member desiring to change the name or names of the person or persons to whom benefit is payable, shall make the request in writing, which request must be certified by the local secretary under the seal of the division, and forwarded to the Grand Secretary with the Certificate of Membership. Upon receipt of such request in proper form and accompanied by the certificate, the Secretary shall issue a new certificate of the same number and date and destroy the old one.

ARTICLE XIX.

DUPLICATE CERTIFICATES.

The Grand Secretary shall upon application issue certificates to replace any which may be lost or destroyed. Such certificates must be plainly marked, duplicate and notation of the issue with date made upon the register.

ARTICLE XX.

NOTICE OF ASSESSMENT.

A written or printed, or partly written or partly printed, notice deposited in the post office, postage paid, and directed to a member's place of residence as it appears upon the books of the Association, shall be a good and sufficient notice of assessment.

ARTICLE XXI.

BENEFIT—TO WHOM PAYABLE.

In case the designated payee of a member should not survive him, the benefit shall be paid to the first named who shall survive him as follows:

1st. In accordance with the provisions of the lawful will of the deceased should one be left.

2d. To the widow of the deceased.

3rd. To the child or children of the deceased.

4th. To the mother of deceased.

In default of all the above, the expenses of the last sickness and funeral of the deceased shall be paid by the Grand Secretary, when bills for the same are approved by the Executive Committee, provided that in no case shall the amount so paid exceed the benefit and bills for such expenses, shall be paid in the order of their presentation to the Grand Secretary.

ARTICLE XXII.

BENEFITS—TO WHOM PAYABLE.

When a disability claim is approved for payment, the benefit shall be paid to the disabled member, except when such disability is caused by permanent insanity, to the first named who shall survive him, as follows:

First, wife; second, child or children; third, mother.

In default of all the above, the benefit shall be held in trust by the Grand Secretary, and expended solely for the benefit of such disabled member by the advice and with the approval of the Executive Committee. In case of the death of the said disabled member before the full amount of the benefit is expended, the balance shall be paid as provided in Article XXI.

ARTICLE XXIII.

MONEY—HOW FORWARDED—RECEIPT.

All money must be forwarded by express, check draft or post office order, and all charges for expressage, collection or exchange must be prepaid. If any member sending money desires a receipt, he will affix a three cent stamp to the card on which he receives notice of assessment and enclose it with the money. The Secretary will stamp the card "paid" and return to the sender, and the card so stamped will be a sufficient receipt.

ARTICLE XXIV.

APPLICATION—FORM OF.

All applications for membership in this association shall be in the following form:

ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS' MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP.

I, ———, do hereby apply for membership in the Order of Railway Conductors' Mutual Life Insurance Association, and do declare upon my honor, as a member of the Order of Railway Conductors, that the following statements by me subscribed, are each and all true to the best of my knowledge and belief; that I am a member in good standing of ——— division, No. —, of the Order of Railway Conductors; that I am ——— years of age, employed as ——— by ———; that I reside in the city or town of ———, State or province of ———; that my postoffice address is ———. In the event of my death, I hereby direct that the sum to which my heir or heirs are entitled to by my membership, be paid to (give names and address in full). I do hereby certify that I am temperate in my habits, and have no injury or disease, constitutional or otherwise, which will tend to shorten my life; that I am in good health, and I hereby consent and agree that any untrue or fraudulent statement made above, or any concealment of facts by me, shall forfeit my membership, and all rights or benefits arising therefrom. I agree to make punctual payment of all dues and assessments, and to conform in every respect to the by-laws, rules and regulations now in force, or which may be lawfully adopted hereafter.

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I hereby certify that ——— who has signed this application, is a member of ——— Division, No. —, of the Order of Railway Conductors, and the statements made by him are true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Witness my hand and the seal of the division this — day of — 18

—————, Secretary.

We, the undersigned, members of the Order of Railway Conductors' Mutual Life Insurance Association, are personally acquainted with ———, who has signed the above application. The statements made by him are true to the best of our knowledge and belief, and we recommend that he be admitted to membership.

ARTICLE XXV.

CERTIFICATES OF MEMBERSHIP.

Certificates of Membership shall be dated and numbered consecutively, commencing with No. 1, and all certificates now in force shall expire January 1st, 1882. A new certificate shall be issued to any member upon the return of the old one and the payment of one dollar, provided application is made on or before the first day of February, 1882: and further provided that the member making application, has paid all assessments. Holders of old certificates shall not be required to certify to good health.

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ARTICLE XXVI.**AMENDMENTS.**

These laws can only be repealed, altered or amended in accordance with Section 1 of Article 11 of the Constitution, provided that prior to the thirty-first day of October, 1882, they may be altered or amended if two-thirds of the members present at a regular session of the Grand Division vote in favor thereof.

PRICE LIST OF SUPPLIES.

Charters for new divisions.....	\$20 00
Constitutions, per hundred	10 00
Rituals, each.....	50
Certificates of membership, per hundred.....	5 00
Treasurer's order book, each	1 00
Secretary's receipt books, each	1 00
Petitions for membership, per hundred	1 00
Withdrawal cards, per hundred	1 00
Notices of meetings.....	50
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PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS
AT THE
FIFTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF ST. PAUL, MINN.

OCTOBER 17, 1882.

(503)



RICHARD EDWARD FITZGERALD.

Assistant Grand Chief Conductor.

PROCEEDINGS.

DRUID'S HALL, ST. PAUL, MINN., }
TUESDAY, October 17th, 1882. }

The Grand Division met in regular session at Druid's Hall, St. Paul, Minn., and was regularly opened at 9:30 A. M., by G. C. C. Wheaton, with the following members present :

C. S. Wheaton, Grand Chief Conductor.
R. E. Fitzgerald, Assistant Grand Chief Conductor.
Wm. P. Daniels, Grand Secretary and Treasurer.
S. H. Defries, Grand Senior Conductor.
W. S. Dunn, Grand Junior Conductor.
C. R. Ashton, Chairman Executive Committee.
H. S. Chapman, Member Executive Committee.
M. Ryan, Member Executive Committee.
George W. Slair, Member Insurance Committee.
J. H. Archer, Member Insurance Committee.
L. R. Carver, Permanent Member.
F. C. Aechternacht, Permanent Member.
F. Rosencranz, Permanent Member.
C. A. Stanchfield, Permanent Member.
C. W. Jennison, Delegate Buffalo Division, No. 2.
L. P. Martin, Delegate St. Louis Division, No. 3.
L. Stoner, Delegate Collins Division, No. 5.
A. S. Parker, Delegate Battle Creek Division, No. 6.
G. H. Brown, Delegate Rochester Division, No. 8.
C. A. Millard, Delegate Elmira Division, No. 9.
W. M. Darling, Delegate Lackawanna Division, No. 12.
I. F. Anderson, Delegate Union Division, No. 13.
D. E. Pierce, Delegate Cleveland Division, No. 14.
W. R. Klophehl, Delegate Stratford Division, No. 15.
R. B. Crawford, Delegate London Division, No. 16.
W. H. Hoskins, Delegate Toronto Division, No. 17.
O. F. Milliken, Delegate Daniels Division, No. 19.
G. W. Horner, Delegate Creston Division, No. 21.
E. C. Brainard, Delegate Mason City Division, No. 23.
B. F. Ryan, Delegate Sylvania Division, No. 23.

F. W. Flint, Delegate St. Albans Division, No. 24.
 B. F. Galletin, Delegate Morford Division, No. 26.
 James Ogilvie, Delegate Arnum Division, No. 27.
 E. L. Fay, Delegate Ozark Division, No. 30.
 F. M. Sanders, Delegate Clinton Division, No. 33.
 P. Hogan, Delegate Boone Division, No. 34.
 G. R. Hammond, Delegate R. Law Division, No. 35.
 L. German, Delegate Arkansas Valley Division, No. 36.
 Sam. Phipps, Delegate Delaware Division, No. 37.
 J. R. Roberts, Delegate Des Moines Division, No. 38.
 E. A. Stone, Delegate Trenton Division, No. 42.
 Levi Greer, Delegate Denver Division, No. 44.
 T. W. Tucker, Delegate Milwaukee Division, No. 46.
 T. G. Coyne, Delegate Neversink Division, No. 52.
 Wm. M. Boggs, Delegate Lone Star Division, No. 53.
 Sam. Hobson, Delegate New York City Division, No. 54.
 James Laughlin, Delegate Kaw Valley Division, No. 55.
 E. O. Soule, Delegate Valley City Division, No. 58.
 George J. Johnson, Delegate La Crosse Division, No. 61.
 S. E. Farnham, Delegate Thurber Division, No. 63.
 J. N. Robinson, Delegate Erie Division, No. 64.
 W. E. Forker, Delegate Griffin Division, No. 66.
 Thomas McCoy, Delegate Baraboo Division, No. 68.

G. C. C. appointed L. R. Carver Grand Inside Sentinel *pro tem*, and L. Stoner Grand Outside Sentinel *pro tem*.

On motion of Bro. Chapman, reading minutes of last regular session was omitted and they were approved as printed.

The following standing committees were appointed :

ON GRAND OFFICERS' REPORTS—Carver, I. F. Anderson, Farnham, Weed and Johnson.

ON DIVISION REPORTS—Randolph, O. F. Anderson, Jennison, Pierce and Sanders.

ON FINANCE—Soule, Robinson, Laughlin, Klophele and Henwood.

ON JURISPRUDENCE—Chapman, Martin, Flint, Millard and Ogilvie.

ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS—Rosencranz, Brainerd, Darling, Forker and Marsh.

The Grand Chief Conductor presented his report as follows :

Grand Officers and Brothers :

On this, the occasion of our fifteenth annual session, I respectfully beg leave to present to you my annual address and report for the last fiscal year.

My Brothers, we are here assembled to-day under peculiarly flattering circumstances. The year, so far, has been one of unbounded success. Large and remunerative crops have rewarded the farmer for his toil, and in recognizing this—the foundation stone of all industry—for as railway men

we must depend upon this source for our revenue during the year. Just how far this has stimulated the growth of our Order I cannot say, but that it is one of the factors in obtaining the result, I am sure. Then let us trust that industry of all classes may be esteemed according to its worth.

It is true, that among many classes of our co-laborers, there has been discontent, and in some cases strikes have occurred, operating, as they always do, to the detriment of all who engage therein. While there may be a real or fancied grievance of employes of any grade, it has always seemed to us to be poor policy to give employer an opportunity to educate a man to take our place; yes, not only give him an opportunity, but *force* him to do so in order to prosecute his business. Can any one show me the *gain* in one of these strikes? Human nature is the same the world over, and should you *coerce* a man, be he employer or employe, rebellion will occur and the weaker party must eventually succumb; and who is there that will say that *capital* is the weaker factor of the two elements composing the great system of to-day? We do not pretend to give a solution to this weighty problem that has for years puzzled wiser men than we, but we do say that all parties should be governed by a sense of discretion in these matters, and must add, that we believe the platform of our Order is the only true one in this case: "*Reserving the right to prosecute our own business according to the dictates of our own conscience, and within the law, according to every other man the same right.*"

We, as members of this honored fraternity, occupy a peculiar position in this respect, and oftentimes our labor is a thankless task, as I am sorry to say, some of our associate employes having charge of us are bound to belittle our efforts. But an earnest, united endeavor will overcome this, and when once victorious the position of our members will be doubly strong.

It is a *fact*, that members of an organization will be respected and their influence extend in proportion to the respect they show their organization. Why is the Masonic association of to-day held in such high esteem? Simply because its members are faithful to its teachings, and show by their conduct the reverence they bear that Order. The same is not less true of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and the kindred associations of the same class. But it has still *more force* in case of an order that is endeavoring to gain for itself a standing and reputation against the popular tide.

A division of the Order of Conductors is organized. The citizens and railway officials are informed by the papers of the fact, and all ask with one accord, "What are the principles of this Order?" And as one after another is interviewed, the plans and objects are given and made public through the press, the eyes of all are upon them; if they see the meetings well attended, that the members are prompt in the discharge of their duty and try to live up to their obligations, they begin to say, "I believe that Order is a good thing, and ought to be encouraged." I can assure you that this public sentiment goes a long way toward educating the public mind in our favor.

Now mark the reverse. Members do not attend meetings, are lax in duty, and the idea will soon go out that our Order does not amount to much.

There are many citizens of this great country who take the common sense view of this matter, encourage us, and say they know the Order is a good thing, and try to impress others with the same idea. Would to God that this were the case with our *membership*. I wish I could engrave it upon the mind of every member that it is as much *his* Order as mine, and all act together with one accord to press it forward to success.

Never let an opportunity pass without saying a good word for our Association. And when asked "if you belong"—say "yes," and not as one of the brothers did last summer, say *No*, because he thought the feeling was against it in the party of which he was a member. For we all know the greater the *odds* the greater the *honor*, and a man always gains respect by adhering to his ideas of right.

I believe we are right, and shall never lose an occasion of presenting our claims, should the opposer be president, manager, engineer, conductor or brakeman.

During the year that has preceded this, and in the time of the organization of our Order in the Province of Ontario, an effort was made to create a breach between the B. of L. E. and *our* Order by a misstatement of facts. I was privileged to visit the beautiful city of Cleveland, and while there called upon Mr. P. M. Arthur, the G. C. E. of the B. of L. E. Had a full, free discussion of the standing of both associations.

There is no essential difference between them, except in the matter of difference with employers. I would be the last one to say ought derogatory to the interests of engineers, for they, together with the firemen and brakemen, are our co-laborers and sharers in every responsibility that we as conductors have. We count among them our warmest, best friends, and in their midst find heroes greater than those of olden time.

In looking over the past history of the Order, I was surprised at the magnitude of the work accomplished in the fifteen years of its existence. When considering the drawbacks, I cannot help (as I stand before you to-day) contrasting this large and intelligent body of delegates, Grand Officers and visitors, with the little company that assembled at Atlanta, Ga., eight (8) long years ago. But among that comparatively small number we had the honest, earnest workers. During that Grand Session the foundation stone of success was laid. A hard, fierce battle was fought, and to the victors we are indebted to-day for an existence.

Before me appear the faces of the old commission just as they sat in solemn judgment on the greatest case this Association has ever known.

Headed by the veteran and father of our Order, and subsequently three (3) times their Grand Chief Conductor, Bro. W. L. Collins, and supported by Bros. Kugler, Bailett, Kelley, McMurry, Stanchfield and Bradley. Of this noble little band, around which so much love and brotherly feeling is centered, Bros. Collins, Kelley and Stanchfield only remain. The rest have ceased from all labor, and are now enjoying the reward of the faithful in the Grand Division above.

But there are others that must be justly classed among the "*Old Guard*,"

those to whom the Order is indebted for many years of hard, honest labor.

When I mention the names of Bros. J. C. W. Long, Whissen, Carver, M. Long, Arnum, Chapman, Ashton, Herman, Morford, Fitzgerald, Daniels, Vannaman, Slair and Jackman, who is there that would withhold from them the honor that is their due? And these are not the only ones, for there are those, that though silent as far as our council here is concerned, have worked faithfully in the good cause. And to Bros. J. N. Robinson, Webster, Wood, Turnbull, Thieman, Knapp, Shultz and Randolph, the Order renders the honor they deserve.

My brothers, we all have a work to perform; let us accomplish it to the credit of ourselves and the Association we love. Truly, if ever there was a just cause, it is ours.

Men engaged in labor as hazardous as ours, should be very careful of the privileges offered them.

There is, I believe, a responsibility behind the present, that we all must answer for. The Order of Railway Conductors presents a sure remedy for some of the evils entering into the service. It also offers the conductors of the country a protection; and not only to them, but to the loved ones that cluster around the hearthstones of many and many a beautiful home. Do we, as men and conductors, need any protection? Ask the widows of many of our associates. The "God Bless the Order," that is heard on nearly every hand, ought to stimulate us to a mighty effort; to enfranchise all conductors, and make them eligible to receive the protection and support of our Order. Shall this effort be made? You, as members of this 15th Grand Session, have a great responsibility resting upon you. I trust it will not be lightly treated, but that the acts of this body, and the laws here enacted, shall fix the future of our cause beyond a shadow of a doubt.

Consider all things carefully. Do not let personal prejudice or friendship influence your acts for the welfare of our noble cause.

To the younger representatives, I would say: If you do not understand the true effect of any measure coming here, it is your duty to have such matter duly explained, before you commit yourself thereon.

My brothers, I herewith return to you the *trust* you handed me a little over a year ago. Of the faithfulness of my services, you as representatives of this great Order are to be the judges. I have labored honestly and heartily for the good of *all*, regretting my inability to do more than I have done for you.

That I have made mistakes I am sure, for all are human and all err. But I trust that in my errors, no great wrong has been done to any brother or the Order at large.

That our growth has been rapid, is a fact; but we have tried to avoid any material that would be a detriment to us.

The future of our Order I leave with you, and with this address and report I hand to you the responsibility of the year's work and its future.

If you feel this great trust as I do, I am sure it will be well cared for. And knowing that among the assembled brothers there are those who are

my superiors in intellect and position, I know that wise counsel will prevail and just laws be enacted.

In closing I desire to return my sincere thanks to *every brother of our Order* for the uniform kindness and courtesy I have received at their hands during the two years of my administration. And especially to those with whom I have been associated, as Grand Officers, do I desire to express my thanks. For two years we have labored together, and no cloud has ever yet arisen to mar the peaceful sky of our brotherly affection. And whatever may be the changes in our stations of life, I shall always couple the names of W. P. Daniels, L. R. Carver, Fitzgerald, Herman, Ashton and Chapman, and the two years in your service as the brightest in my life. And if in after years, through fortune's changeful mood, I should be removed far from you, I shall always labor that the Order of Railway Conductors may grow and extend its bounds until every eligible conductor in this country shall have affiliated with us in the "Bonds of Perpetual Friendship."

NEW DIVISIONS.

We have raised this year the following new divisions:

Battle Creek Division, No. 6, Battle Creek, Mich.

Daniels Division, No. 19, Elkhart, Ind.

Garfield Division, No. 20, Collinwood, Ohio.

Huron Division, No. 25, Port Huron, Mich.

Keystone State Division, No. 32, Meadville, Pa.

Clinton Division, No. 33, Clinton, Iowa.

Boone Division, No. 34, Boone, Iowa.

R. Law Division, No. 34, North Platte, Neb.

Arkansas Valley Division, No. 36, South Pueblo, Col.

Hannibal Division, No. 39, Hannibal, Mo.

Central Division, No. 43, East Syracuse, N. Y.

Chapman Division, No. 45, Oneonta, N. Y.

Mitchell Division, No. 47, Winnipeg, Man.

International Division, No. 48, Windsor, Ont.

La Crosse Division, No. 61, La Crosse, Wis.

Lefgett Division, No. 62, Bucyrus, Ohio.

Thurber Division, No. 63, North McGregor, Iowa.

Erie Division, No. 64, Erie, Pa.

Banana Division, No. 65, Nickerson, Kan.

Griffin Division, No. 66, Keokuk, Iowa.

Maple City Division, No. 25, Ogdensburg, N. Y.

Baraboo Division, No. 68, Baraboo, Wis.

REORGANIZED.

Chicago Division, No. 1, Chicago, Ill.

CHARTERS SURRENDERED.

Excelsior Division, No. 18, Hamilton, Ohio.

Berkley Division, No. 6, Martinsburg, W. Va.

Bloomington Division, No. 19, Bloomington, Ill.
 Wellsville Division, No. 20, Wellsville, Ohio.
 Freeport Division, No. 25, Freeport, Ill.

CHARTERS RECLAIMED.

Omaha Division, No. 35, Omaha, Neb.
 Wahsatch Division, No. 45, Ogden, Utah.
 Keystone State Division, No. 32, Meadville, Pa.

Warrants have also been issued for the reclaim of No. 28, located at Hornellsville, N. Y., and No. 41, located at Rock Island, Ill.

Of these divisions surrendering the cause has been scattering of the men; the Order loses nothing, for in most cases worthy brothers took cards and have affiliated elsewhere; the others became necessary on account of neglect of members. The Order will lose but few members from any of these divisions. Those lost are a gain to the Order. Before we pass from this it is proper to say that papers are out for the organization of divisions at Little Falls, New York; Albany, New York; Montgomery, Alabama; El Paso, Texas; Springfield, Ohio; and Palestine, Texas—which we hope soon to add to our membership.

DISPENSATIONS AND OFFICIAL ACTS.

During the year just past I have granted the following dispensations, and some more than are here stated, as I lost a slip that had some registered, but they were all for change of time and place of meeting:

October 17th to 20th, inclusive, getting work up and getting out Circular No. 1.

October 23d, granted dispensation to Division No. 2, to confer both degrees upon several parties from Bradford, Pa.

October 23d, gave letters to four brothers of our Order to go west for situations.

November 20th, Grand Division cards to fifteen members of Wellsville Division, No. 20.

November 29th, issued warrant for arrest of charter of No. 32, E. B. Hunt, deputy.

November 29th, appointed Bro. John Turnbull Special Deputy to do work in Canada. Also to organize a division at Port Huron.

December 15th, left on trip to visit Divisions 2, 14 and 26. Organized Division 19, Sunday, Dec. 18th. Visited Division 26, Monday, Dec. 20th.

January 6th, granted dispensation to Division No. 26 to retain offices of secretary and treasurer separate until October 1st, 1882.

Note opinion of special session of No. 26.

January 14th, granted charter for division at South Pueblo, Col.

January 16th, Excelsior Division, No. 18, surrendered; twenty-eight members in good standing.

February 7th, dispensation to No. 42 to change time and place of meeting.
 February 7th, dispensation to No. 33 to change time and place of meeting.
 February 10th, issued Circular No. 3 and granted charter to North Platte, Neb.

February 12th, granted dispensation to No. 1 to change time and place of meeting.

February 15th, visited No. 28 at Hornellsville. No quorum.

February 17th, visited No. 1 at Chicago. No quorum.

February 19th, in company with Bros. Daniels, Ashton and Stanchfield, took property of Omaha Division, No. 35.

February 20th, Boone Division, No. 34, organized by Deputy E. O. Soule.

February 20th, visited No. 31. No quorum.

February 23d, organized R. Law Division, No. 35, at North Platte, Neb.

February 25th, visited Denver Division, No. 44, and put them in good working order.

February 26th, organized Arkansas Valley Division, No. 36, with 38 charter members.

March 1st, visited Kaw Valley Division, No. 55.

March 2d, visited Queen City Division, No. 60. No quorum.

March 3d, visited St. Louis Division, No. 3. Had a grand, good meeting.

March 5th, organized Hannibal Division, No. 39.

March 6th, organized Battle Creek Division, No. 6.

March 7th, organized Huron Division, No. 25.

March 9th, organized Keystone State Division, No. 32.

March 16th, organized Central Division, No. 48, at East Syracuse, New York.

March 20th, dispensation to No. 35 to initiate E. Hammond and J. M. Clark, they not being employed as conductors.

DECISIONS.

March 28th, in case decided last year by Bro. H. S. Chapman, some new evidence appearing I reversed the decision.

In case of Emporia Division, No. 11, two members of that division appealed to me in regard to alleged irregularities in election of officers and delegate, I decided as follows :

ELMIRA, N. Y., October 3d, 1882.

To Wm. Peck, C. C., and C. M. Hatfield, Sec'y, Emporia Division, No. 11, Order of Railway Conductors.

WHEREAS, Two members of your division have appealed to me on account of seeming irregularities in election of officers and delegate to Grand Division, I. C. S. Wheaton, G. C. C., by the power in me vested, and for the purpose of allaying any strife or ill feeling in the Order, do hereby direct that Emporia Division, No. 11, be called together in special meeting (at such an hour as may be most convenient for the members) on either the 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th or 15th of October, 1882. Of the date of such special meet-

ing all members shall have a written notice giving date, time and place of meeting, and upon the arrival of the time specified, the Chief Conductor, Bro. Wm. Peck, shall call to order and open in due form, *and if a majority of the members present desire*, he shall appoint tellers and proceed to elect officers for the ensuing year, after which he shall cause to be elected a delegate to the fifteenth annual session of the Grand Division, after which he shall cause said officers to be installed, and they shall be the officers of Emporia Division, No. 11, for the ensuing year; but, on the contrary, should the majority of the division sustain the previous acts of the division in election of delegate and officers, they shall stand as the legal officers of Emporia Division, No. 11, for the ensuing year, and the delegate as the legal delegate.

This dispensation and order is given with a full view of restoring harmony in Emporia Division, No. 11, still placing the affairs of government in the hands of the division.

Given under my hand and seal this 3d day of October, 1882.

C. S. WHEATON, G. C. C.

DISPENSATIONS.

April 6th, granted dispensation to No. 39, to propose, elect and confer both degrees upon a candidate.

April 9th, granted dispensation to Division No. 21, to confer both degrees upon a candidate at one meeting.

April 9th, denied a general dispensation to No. 43, to elect and confer degrees for six months upon parties who were set back braking, temporarily.

April 4th, organized International Division, No. 48, at Windsor, Ontario.

April 14th, granted dispensation to No. 23, to change time and place of meeting.

April 15th, granted dispensation to Arnum Division, No. 27, to initiate Mr. A. K. Renwicks, he not being in active service.

May 10th, granted dispensation to Toronto Division, No. 17, to change time and place of meeting.

May 12th, visited Rochester Division, No. 8, for the purpose of instruction.

May 18th, approved by-laws of No. 55.

May 19th, granted dispensation to Daniels Division, No. 19, to change time of meeting from 1st and 3d Sundays to 2d and 4th Tuesdays of each month.

May 23d, consolidated Nos. 6 and 35, on account of change of runs of the men.

May 21st, organized Chapman Division, No. 45, assisted by Bro. H. S. Chapman.

May 25th, opinion to Bro. W. P. Daniels, that it was not obligatory to use car at all times in initiation, but divisions should use judgment, adhering as closely to the form as possible.

May 14th, Mitchell Division, No. 47, organized by Bro. Mitchell, deputy.

May 14th, granted dispensation to No. 10, to propose, elect, and confer degrees upon Messrs. Raymond and Rounds, at one meeting, they having to travel a long distance to attend.

June 5th, granted dispensation to Arnun Division, No. 27, to hold special election for the purpose of electing a secretary and installing the same.

June 13th, appointed Bro. Carver Special Deputy to organize division at Keokuk, Ia.

June 23d, granted dispensation to No. 26, to change time and place of meeting.

June 17th, organized Erie Division, No. 64.

June 18th, organized by Special Deputy Bro. L. R. Carver, Griffin Division, No. 66, at Keokuk, Ia.

June 24th, visited No. 12, at Scranton, by invitation, and gave instruction in the work.

June 30th, approved by-laws of Houston Division, No. 7.

June 30th, appointed Bro. Thieman to get charter, books and papers of No. 33.

July 8th, granted dispensation to No. 14, to change place of meeting.

July 6th, appointed Bro. Darrow special deputy to organize at Nickerson, Kan.

July 9th, appointed Bro. E. O. Soule special deputy to organize at Clinton, Ia.

July 12th, approved by-laws of Division No. 54.

July 19th, approved by-laws of Division No. 17.

August 1st, granted dispensation to Bro. J. N. Robinson to organize a division of our Order at Baraboo, Wis.

August 1st, granted a dispensation to No. 49, to publicly install officers.

August 2d, granted a dispensation to No. 23, to propose, elect and confer degrees upon J. F. Mantz.

August 6th, organized Maple City Division, No. 25.

August 6th, granted dispensation to Division No. 46, to propose, elect and confer degrees upon Wm. Carroll and Wm. Monahan.

August 10th, refused dispensation to initiate Mr. Suckles, he never having served as conductor.

August 6th, granted dispensation to Griffin Division, No. 66, to initiate Mr. Blackburn, an old conductor, but not now in service.

August 1st, Banana Division, No. 65, organized by Deputy J. M. Darrow.

August 28th, granted dispensation to No. 1, to change time of meeting; also to elect officers Sept. 10th, 1882, for ensuing year.

September 3d, granted dispensation to No. 52, to use short form of opening and closing.

September 3, granted dispensation to No. 43, to change time of meeting.

September 3, granted dispensation to No. 2, to propose, elect and confer degrees upon E. N. Drake.

September 4, issued warrant for arrest of Charter No. 41.

September 4, granted dispensation to No. 15, to change time of meeting.
 September 8, granted dispensation to No. 6, to change place of meeting.
 September 8, granted dispensation to No. 23, to change place of meeting.
 September 8, granted dispensation to No. 29, to open and confer degrees in Ogdensburg, N. Y.

October 1, granted dispensation to install officers of No. 7, on October 8, 1882.

September 20, granted dispensation to Toronto Division No. 17, to install officers on October 1, 1882.

October 1, legalizing action of No. 31, accepting Messrs. Cross and Sloat in No. 31.

October 1, granted dispensation to No. 6, to install officers on October 8, 1882.

October 3, granted dispensation to No. 10, to confer both degrees on a candidate at one meeting.

DEATHS.

While all is so bright and beautiful around us, and we are so happy in our health and pleasure, we must stop a moment and look upon the sad side of this beautiful picture. While we that are here have been rushing along in the busy bustle of life, death has not been idle. Truly, we must add in the language of another, "*death loves a shining mark.*" Truly so in the cases of our brothers who have fallen asleep during the past year. Let us who are left render due tribute to their memory and emulate their every virtue.

Edward L. Thurber, a name that will live as long as the page of history of this Order stands, died at his home in Council Bluffs, Iowa, on March 11th, 1882, and by his death the C., B. & Q. Ry. Co. lost a valued employe, and the Order of Railway Conductors an honest, earnest member. He has gone over the river, but the memory of his many virtues will remain bright in the minds of all of his brothers who had ever met him.

W. J. Spettigew, of Division 15, a worthy and well beloved brother of the above division, died at his home in Stratford, surrounded by friends and brothers of our Order.

Bro. B. Seneck, of No. 23, killed while on duty by rear end collision.

Bro. J. M. Short died March 14th, 1882, at Beaumont, Texas, from injuries received in discharge of his duty. There the Order is under great obligation to Bro. Col. J. B. Morford for his great kindness to Bro. Short, and also to his bereaved family.

Bro. Cransen, of No. 17, died at his home at Thornhill, Ont., February 19, of consumption.

Bro. D. R. Dixon, No. 40, died at his home in St. Paul, of putrefaction of bowels.

Six in all have gone over the river, strengthening the ties that bind us together in our "Bonds of Perpetual Friendship."

"Afflictions
Not from the ground arise,
But oftentimes celestial benedictions
Assume this dark disguise."

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I would suggest that the law be so changed that either the G. C. C. or the Executive Committee shall grant dispensations to admit members to our Order who are in grades of promotion higher. As it now stands, it is almost impossible to work under it, as one cannot tell what the other will do, and the applicant is kept many times in suspense for two months and then refused. It should be in shape so as to be settled at once. If the division are unanimous in their desire, it hardly seems to me to be right to keep the applicant out, which is sometimes done if one member of the Executive Committee refuses to sign the order for his admission.

I would respectfully suggest that all that part of the line in italics after the word "*rise*," page 5 of Ritual, be stricken out; also on page 13 of Ritual, after the words "*I will*," a note be inserted, as follows: "(To be used only in case of organization of new divisions,)" and "Have you all served one year on surface railways as conductors, and are you now in active employment on such railway as conductors?" I deem this of great importance as a protection to our Order. Also, that the old short form of opening and closing be reprinted for use of divisions, to be used in cases of emergency.

I shall not suggest any more changes in the laws or Ritual. I have received a number of letters in regard to making the office of G. C. C. a salaried one, and that of the G. S. and T. partially so; also, many in regard to the home for our disabled brothers and their families. It is a fact that we, as an Order, want a thorough instruction; it would add much to its strength and membership, and I ask you to notice in this connection that in the years 1880-81 you tried the special deputy system, and gave them three dollars per day. Under this system we raised fourteen divisions. The year following, 1881-82, taking away deputies, except specials, paying the G. C. C. for each day's work, we have raised twenty-three divisions. To be sure it has cost us a little more, but who is there of us but can say that the increase has more than paid for itself.

That the officers of the G. C. C. and G. S. and T. are to-day self-sustaining, is a thing heretofore unknown, I think, in the history of our Order. Let us take a retrospective view of our work. In the year 1875 there was reported at the Grand Session 30 divisions, giving 754 members, or a gain of 20. In the year 1876 we had 36 divisions reported in good standing, giving a membership of 1108, a gain of 334. In 1877 we have no print of proceedings. In 1878 we had 34 divisions reported, giving us 849 members, a loss of 259. This was owing to the strikes of 1877. In 1879 we had 35 divisions reported at Grand Session, 945 members, a gain of 96. In 1880 we had 30 divisions reported and an estimated membership of 1050;

gain, 200. In 1881 we had 43 divisions reported, 1420 members, and a gain of 370. Thus we see the rise and fall of our Order in days gone by. We have had a good experience; let all profit thereby.

At the close of the year 1879-80, on taking this chair, we found that we were nearly, if not quite, \$1,500 in debt, and we resolved before we separated at St. Louis that the close of another year should see us out of debt. The work of that year you are all familiar with, and that the end was accomplished you all know, for at Buffalo I remember well the scene when Bro. L. R. Carver, Chairman of Finance Committee, announced that we were out of debt.

We are now on the highway to success. Let us take great care that the mistakes of former years are not repeated, and as we have her right, let us hold her steady with a firm hand and success is ours.

At this time I desire to correct an erroneous statement that appeared in the July number of the official organ, *The Railroader*, relative to *The Railroader* being the cause of the organization of many divisions during the year, and citing South Pueblo, Col., Oneonta, N. Y., Hannibal, Mo., Clinton, Iowa, and several other points. Now, is it a fact? I think at South Pueblo the division was started and brought about through the hard work of Bro. F. Deitz, of No. 55, with whom I had corresponded some time, he being a member of our Order before the starting of *The Railroader*. Oneonta, New York, was raised by Bro. Ralph Meade, of No. 8, he also being a member before we knew of *The Railroader*. Of Hannibal, Mo., ask Bros. James Laughlin, Andy Brown and our Assistant Grand Chief Conductor; they, perhaps, can tell us how it was brought about; also in case of Nickerson, Kan. I think the brothers of No. 11 had more to do with that organization than the official organ. True, the organ has been a source of profit to the Order in many ways, and I do not wish to detract from it, but I wish deserving credit rendered to whom it is due.

During the year just closed I have traveled over 9,000 miles in the interest of the Order. I have visited Divisions 5, 6, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 19, 20, 21, 23, 25, 26, 28, 32, 35, 36, 39, 43, 44, 45, 47 and 64, and organized personally Nos. 6, 19, 20, 25, 32, 36, 39, 43, 45, 48 and 64.

I close this year's labor—which has been the hardest of my life—with a regret that I am unable to give you a better report than this. It is a gigantic work to take hold of and manage, requiring close attention and hard work, which will grow more laborious as years grow apace. As our Association, one of the grandest in this world, must go forward, never back, let all feel the responsibility resting upon them, and I know we will press forward to victory, and as we stand in this Grand Division let all feel their responsibility, and in brotherly love and perpetual friendship let us always live working together in harmony and fulfilling our law.

During this year I have given the work of the Order 105 days' work, and I find upon comparing this with last year that there is but little difference in time spent. Last year there were 98 days spent and paid for by the Grand Division by myself and deputies. I have been ably assisted during the year

by many of the brothers who have done the work of the Order for me when I could not get off or was not well enough to perform all the work.

The expense of the office this year is but little more than last year, owing to the fact that there were some supplies left over from last year that were used in this. In my accompanying bill I have not charged my lost time and expense in attendance here, as the custom has always been to make that a separate matter, and I am willing to let the brothers judge of the amount that should be allowed for such service. I will say in conclusion that forty days of the lost time were in taking a westward trip in your interest, and I know that it was of great value to us as an Order.

During the trip I organized 7 new divisions personally, and Bro. Soule 1 as deputy. I visited 7 divisions of our Order, took the charters, books and papers of 35, and developed many facts that have been of great service to me during the year. I would have taken another extended trip later, but advices reached me in answer to circulars and the work of the brothers that my services would soon be required at El Paso, Tex., Montgomery, Ala., and at Fort Worth, Tex. I decided to wait and use the time in that direction, and I am informed that now there is an application for charter at my home for both places.

Without further comment I present you my bill for services and expense of office during the year :

GRAND DIVISION ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS.		DR.
To C. S. Wheaton, for 105 days lost time at \$5 per day.....	\$525	00
To expense of office, postage, stationery, telegrams and express.....	105	23
Total.....	\$630	23

Yours truly in P. F.,

C. S. WHEATON, G. C. C.

Referred to Committee on Grand Officers' Reports.

J. R. Sparks, Delegate Houston Division, No. 7,
 J. W. Working, Delegate Star Division, No. 31,
 G. W. Henwood, Delegate Hannibal Division, No. 39,
 R. A. Mead, Delegate Chapman Division, No. 45,
 O. F. Anderson, Delegate International Division, No. 48,
 J. C. Weed, Delegate Alamo Division, No. 59,
 C. R. Marsh, Delegate Banana Division, No. 65,
 J. C. W. Long, Permanent Member,

Presented their credentials and were admitted.

TUESDAY, October 17th, 1882.

Grand Secretary and Treasurer presented his report, as follows :

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers :

Once more I have the pleasure of presenting my annual report for your inspection, and it is with deep gratification that I am enabled to announce

to you the unexampled prosperity of the Order. As you have just listened to a detailed account of the organization of twenty-two new divisions, I will omit any further mention of them.

DELINQUENT REPORTS.

The report of Denver Division, No. 44, was received and filed Nov. 10th. Of the other delinquent divisions—

Berkley, No. 6, delinquent two years. Charter was arrested by order of the G. C. C. No report or property received.

Wellsville, No. 20, surrendered their charter Nov. 1st to Bro. M. Long, Deputy G. C. C. No report or property received. The delegate from this division was admitted to the Grand Division in October, 1880, under a pledge that their Grand Dues, amounting to \$28, would be paid. They are still unpaid.

Keystone State, No. 32, charter arrested Nov. 29th by Bro. E. B. Hunt, deputy. No report. A new division of same number, date and location was organized March 9th by G. C. C. Wheaton.

Omaha, No. 35, charter arrested by Bro. S. A. Herman, deputy. Report and property received. Bro. Herman still holds the charter frame subject to my order.

Hawkeye, No. 41, charter arrested Sept. 20 by Bro. E. O. Soule. Report received. No property found.

Of Pyramid, No. 56, I have been unable to learn anything whatever.

Excelsior Division, No. 18, surrendered their charter Dec. 15th, the members finding themselves, by reason of changes on the roads, unable to support it. Report received. The regalias of this division are held by Bro. C. E. Rodenberg, subject to my order, but owing to changes are comparatively worthless. Nearly, if not quite, all its members have procured Grand Division cards.

Scioto Division, No. 33, surrendered its charter to Bro. A. J. Thieman, deputy, who sends a very complete report under date of July 24th.

Bros. Thieman and Soule deserve commendation for the thoroughness with which they have complied with the law and done their work.

The charter of Bloomington, No. 19, was arrested Sept. 10th, 1881, by C. E. Cross, deputy, too late to include in last year's report. No report or property received.

The following are delinquent for the year ending September 30th, 1882 :

Wheaton, No. 28.

Ozark, No. 30, received Oct. 17th, 1882.

Silver State, No. 51, received Oct. 16th, 1882.

Pyramid, No. 56.

Evergreen, No. 57.

New York City, No. 54, received Oct. 13th, 1882.

"THE RAILROADER."

I have received during the year six hundred and four subscriptions : one hundred and ninety-three at \$1 and four hundred and eleven at 75c, aggregating \$501.25, on which the profit was \$138.85, which has been covered into the Grand Division treasury in various amounts, as per ledger accompanying this report. Included in the above are fifty-two subscriptions taken by Mr. Leflet, at Buffalo, and reported to me by him.

INSURANCE.

Our Insurance Association has increased slowly during the year, but has not prospered as it ought. One loss has been paid to Mrs. Smith, widow of the late Bro. Hiram Smith, of Neversink Division, No. 52, who died October 4th, 1882, from injuries received the day previous while on duty. This benefit should have been \$107.00, but thirty-seven members failed to pay their assessments, and so but \$70.00 was paid to Mrs. Smith. This illustrates one defect of our old law. Under our present law two assessments are collected in advance and held by the Grand Treasurer in readiness to pay losses as soon as claims are approved by the committee, and I now hold \$294.00 for that purpose. Of the seventy members whose certificates were in force when they expired by limitation, fifty-two have renewed, and I have issued ninety-five in addition to renewals, on account of which there has been covered into the Grand Division treasury \$47.50. In this connection I would earnestly recommend that you repeal so much of the law as requires examination by a physician, as I believe this has prevented many from joining, they believing with me that with our form of application an examination is unnecessary, and while other mutual associations do not require it, they will not take the extra trouble and expense to join ours. I think, too, that we a band of brothers, pledged to give aid when needed regardless of insurance, ought not to be as rigid in our qualifications for membership as companies that insure to make money. I shall, therefore, at the proper time, offer an amendment to that effect.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I wish, also, to recommend and particularly request you to give the matter a careful consideration, that the Grand Chief Conductor be paid the coming year a salary that will enable him to devote his time to the Order.

We have now reached a stage in our progress when I believe it to be absolutely necessary for us to do this. I believe we will retrograde if we do not. It is, of course, impossible to do this by an amendment, but there is a constitutional way, and I shall call your attention to it hereafter.

I would recommend that the monogram of the Order be adopted as the emblem for the regalia of permanent members of the Grand Division. Also that the G. C. C. and G. S. and T. be instructed to procure the following new

regalias for the Grand Division, one for each officer and six for Past G. C. C's., cost not to exceed ten dollars each, and that the necessary amount be appropriated to pay for them.

Also that the sum of \$90.00, or so much thereof as is necessary, be appropriated to purchase for the office of the G. S. and T. a type-writer. During the last two years the correspondence has become an important feature of the office, and imposes an enormous burden on the officer. In 1890-91 it increased about one-half over the previous year, while during the year just closed it has more than doubled, requiring a ream of letter heads, over thirteen hundred three-cent stamps, and about eight hundred postal cards. It has been utterly impossible for me to copy letters, except a very few of the most important ones.

No. of divisions October 1st, 1880.....	52
" " organized during the year.....	22
Total.....	72
No. of charters surrendered.....	3
" " arrested.....	5
" divisions September 30th, 1882.....	64
" " reporting.....	59
" " failing to report.....	5
" members September 30th, 1881.....	1,420
" " promoted.....	847
Total.....	2,267
No. of members reported September 30th, 1882.....	1,938
" " in N. R. divisions September 30th, 1881.....	76
Total.....	2,014
No. of members deceased.....	14
" " suspended and expelled.....	70
" " enclosed divisions.....	169
Total.....	2,267

This, my brothers, closes my fourth annual report. Hoping errors may, as usual, be kindly overlooked, I sincerely and heartily return my thanks to all with whom I have had official relations, for their uniform courtesy and kindness. Also to the many brothers who have aided me during the year. May we meet at many succeeding sessions of the Grand Division, and may not one face be missing.

Yours sincerely in P. F.,

W. P. DANIELS.

**W. P. DANIELS, GRAND TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH GRAND DIVISION,
ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS.**

1881.		Dr.	Cr.
Oct.	1 To cash on hand.....	\$1,178 15	
"	1 " from Division No. 54.....	31 05	
"	2 " " " 53.....	37 00	
"	3 " " " 55.....	25 95	
"	3 " " " 51.....	8 00	
"	3 " " " 30.....	11 00	
"	3 " " " 28.....	35 50	
"	3 " " " 14.....	19 00	
"	3 " " " 42.....	26 00	
"	3 " " " 46.....	17 00	
"	3 " " " 1.....	50 00	
"	3 " " " 7.....	9 50	
"	3 " " " 18.....	85 50	
"	3 " " " 2.....	60 00	
"	3 " " " 12.....	16 25	
"	6 By paid order No. 5, 1879, W. P. D.....		\$250 00
"	6 " " 5, 1880, ".....		250 00
"	6 " bal. order No. 7, 1879, J. B. Morford.....		87 26
"	6 " " 6, 1880, " ".....		250 00
"	6 " " 7, 1880, H. S. Chapman.....		4 00
"	6 " " 14, 1879, W. J. Jackman.....		12 09
"	6 To cash Division 57.....	16 00	
"	20 " " 10.....	21 00	
"	20 " " 11.....	15 00	
"	20 " " 44.....	23 00	
Dec.	3 By 500 postal cards.....		5 00
"	7 " charges on two telegrams from M. Long....		1 40
"	7 " 500 stamped envelopes, Voucher 109.....		16 20
"	7 " desk, Voucher 110.....		35 00
"	6 " paid order No. 1, W. J. Jackman.....		25 00
"	7 " " 2, C. S. Wheaton.....		200 69
"	7 " " 3, " ".....		250 00
"	6 " " 6, " ".....		47 00
"	20 To cash Division 52.....	1 00	
"	31 " " 49.....	17 00	
"	31 " " 29.....	27 00	
"	31 " 12 traveling cards.....	3 00	
"	31 " 1 Grand Division card.....	1 00	
1882.			
Jan.	13 " Division 60.....	23 00	
"	13 " " 11.....	6 50	
"	13 " " 55.....	12 50	
"	13 " " 53.....	3 00	

1882.		DR.	CR.
Jan.	13 To cash Division 46.....	\$ 2 50	
"	18 " " 4.....	2 00	
"	13 " " 24.....	2 00	
"	13 " " 8.....	2 00	
"	13 " 1 G. D. card and 9 traveling cards.....	3 25	
"	14 " Division 12.....	2 00	
"	20 " " 58.....	2 00	
"	20 " " 49.....	2 00	
"	20 " " 30.....	8 00	
"	20 " " 22.....	2 00	
"	20 " " 37.....	2 00	
"	20 " " 40.....	28 00	
"	20 " " 19.....	35 00	
"	20 " " 20.....	35 00	
"	20 " 7 traveling cards.....	1 75	
"	20 By 1 quart writing fluid.....		\$0 75
"	20 " 1 quart copying fluid.....		75
"	20 " 300 postal cards.....		3 00
"	20 " one-half ream wrapping paper.....		2 00
"	20 " 2 balls twine.....		50
"	20 For printing Voucher No. 111.....		387 75
"	28 To cash 10 traveling cards.....	2 50	
"	28 " Division 10.....	2 00	
"	28 " " 27.....	75	
"	28 " " 53.....	2 00	
"	28 By recutting seals for Divs. 19 and 20, Voucher 112..		4 00
Feb.	11 To cash 1 G. D. card and 8 traveling cards.....	3 00	
"	11 " Division 9.....	75	
"	11 " " 53.....	38 00	
"	11 " " 59.....	12 00	
"	11 " " 60.....	2 00	
"	11 " " 55.....	13 25	
"	15 " 17 traveling cards.....	4 25	
"	15 " Division 46.....	17 00	
"	15 By extra charges on package from M. Long....		90
"	15 " 2 Insurance certificates for Division 55.....		5 00
"	22 To cash Division 34.....	20 00	
"	22 " " 39.....	40 00	
"	22 " " 58.....	25 00	
"	22 " " 35.....	13 75	
"	25 " " 17.....	1 00	
"	25 " 7 traveling cards.....	1 75	
M'ch	1 " 2 " ".....	50	
"	1 " Division 27.....	31 00	
"	3 " " 7.....	2 00	
"	3 " " 9.....	39 00	

1882.		Dr.	Cr.
M'ch	3 To cash Division 10.....	\$2 75	
"	3 " " 16.....	5 00	
"	3 " " 46.....	2 50	
"	8 " 1 G. D. and 15 traveling cards.....	4 75	
"	7 " 3 traveling cards.....	75	
"	7 " Division 8.....	31 00	
"	7 " " 10.....	17 00	
"	7 " " 47.....	20 00	
"	7 " " 59.....	29 00	
"	7 By paid order No. 5, H. S. Chapman.....		\$ 41 64
"	7 " " 4, W. P. D.....		250 00
"	7 " " 7, ".....		55 00
"	7 " " 8, W. J. Jackman.....		30 00
"	12 To cash 12 traveling cards.....	3 00	
"	12 By 4 balls twine \$1, paper fastener \$1.....		2 00
"	12 To cash, profit on <i>Railroader</i>	103 00	
"	15 " 4 traveling cards.....	1 00	
"	15 " Division 25.....	4 00	
"	15 " " 26.....	2 00	
"	15 " " 31.....	6 75	
"	15 " " 40.....	15 00	
"	15 By telegram to C. S. W.....		50
"	18 To cash 6 traveling cards.....	1 50	
"	18 " Division 55.....	19 25	
"	18 " " 13.....	50	
"	22 " " 35.....	3 50	
"	22 " " 49.....	50	
"	22 " 5 traveling cards.....	1 25	
"	22 By paid for 5 seals for Divisions 25, 34, 35, 36 and 39, Voucher 116.....		15 00
"	22 By telegram to C. S. W., 50c delivery charges, 4 telegrams \$1.....		1 50
"	25 To cash 19 G. D. and 11 traveling cards.....	21 75	
"	25 " certifying to two certificates.....	50	
"	25 " Division 35.....	1 00	
"	29 " " 61.....	20 00	
"	29 " " 16.....	10 00	
"	29 " 4 traveling cards.....	1 00	
April	5 " 1 " card.....	25	
"	5 " Division 12.....	2 50	
"	5 " " 54.....	1 25	
"	9 " " 4.....	11 50	
"	9 " 9 traveling cards.....	2 25	
"	12 " 2 " ".....	50	
"	12 " Division 63.....	20 00	
"	14 " " 15.....	48 25	

1882.		Dr.	Cr.
Ap'l	14 To cash 1 traveling card.....	\$ 0 25	
"	18 " 6 " cards.....	1 50	
"	18 " Division 61.....	20 00	
"	18 " 17.....	2 25	
"	18 " 42.....	1 00	
"	18 By 350 postal cards.....		\$3 50
"	18 " repairing valise.....		2 00
"	22 To cash 6 traveling cards.....	1 50	
"	22 " Division 13.....	75	
"	26 " " 38.....	37 50	
"	26 " " 3.....	55 50	
"	26 " " 62.....	20 00	
"	26 By 5 seals for Divs. 6, 43, 48, 61 and 62, Voucher 117..		15 00
"	26 " 200 postal cards.....		2 00
"	28 To cash 2 G. D. and 5 traveling cards.....	3 25	
"	28 " Division 5.....	30 00	
May	3 " " 16.....	25	
"	3 " 2 traveling cards.....	50	
"	8 " 4 " ".....	1 00	
"	8 By rubber stamp, Voucher 118.....		4 50
"	15 To cash from C. S. Wheaton for Div. 35.....	40 00	
"	15 " " " 36.....	40 00	
"	15 " " " 6.....	40 00	
"	15 " " " 25.....	20 00	
"	15 " " " 32.....	20 00	
"	15 " " " 67.....	20 00	
"	15 " " " 43.....	20 75	
"	15 " " " 48.....	40 00	
"	15 " " " 13 G. D. cards.....	13 00	
"	15 " 4 traveling cards.....	1 00	
"	20 " 1 G. D. and 3 traveling cards.....	1 75	
"	20 " Division 42.....	50	
"	22 " 1 traveling card.....	25	
"	22 " profit on <i>Railroader</i>	18 55	
"	22 " Division 58.....	75	
"	22 " " 7.....	40 00	
"	22 " " 16.....	20 00	
"	25 " 2 traveling cards.....	50	
June	1 " 8 " ".....	2 00	
"	5 " 2 G. D. and 1 traveling card.....	2 25	
"	5 " Division 24.....	7 50	
"	5 " " 60.....	3 00	
"	5 " " 6.....	75	
"	5 " " 63.....	20 00	
"	5 " " 3.....	2 50	
"	8 " 1 traveling card.....	25	

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1882.			
-June 12	To cash 2 G. D. and 5 traveling cards.	\$3 25	
" 12	" Division 17.	1 75	
" 12	" " 44.	5 50	
" 12	" " 31.	25	
" 12	By cash stationery for Division No. 8.		
" 11	" Bishop Bros. Bill No. 2.		\$ 3 25
" 12	printing Voucher No. 120.		135 15
" 15	To cash 2 G. D. and 6 traveling cards.	8 50	
" 15	" Division 66.	20 00	
" 15	By cash seals for 45, 46 and 63, Voucher 119.		9 00
" 22	To cash 1 G. D. and 2 traveling cards.	1 50	
" 22	" Division 4.	25	
" 22	" " 13.	1 25	
" 22	" " 63.	1 00	
" 22	" " 66.	20 00	
" 22	" " 22.	8 25	
" 26	" 3 traveling cards.	75	
" 26	By cash 2 seals Divs. 64 and 69, Voucher 121.		6 00
" 26	To cash certifying 6 certificates.	1 50	
" 26	" 7 traveling cards.	1 75	
-July 3	" Division 21.	25	
" 10	" 25 traveling cards.	6 25	
" 10	" Division 17.	25	
" 10	" " 38.	40 00	
" 10	" " 47.	75	
" 10	" " 59.	6 00	
" 12	" " 35.	4 00	
" 12	" 5 traveling cards.	1 25	
" 15	" 2 " "	50	
" 20	" 8 " "	2 00	
" 25	" Division 15.	7 00	
" 25	" " 53.	1 00	
" 25	By cash one-half ream wrapping paper.	1 75	
" 25	" 500 No. 10 envelopes.		1 25
" 25	" 1 dozen boxes seal wafers.		3 00
" 25	" del. charges on message from C. S. W.		25
" 31	To cash 4 traveling cards.	1 00	
" 31	By cash recutting seal Division 33, Voucher 122.		2 00
-Aug. 3	To cash 5 traveling cards.	1 25	
" 3	" 1 G. D. and 3 traveling cards.	1 75	
" 7	" Division 20.	8 50	
" 7	" " 55.	32 50	
" 7	" " 65.	40 00	
" 11	" " 63.	1 00	
" 11	" 1 G. D. and 7 traveling cards.	2 75	
" 11	" certifying 3 certificates.	75	

1882.		Dr.	Cr.
Aug.	11	By cash extra charges on box from Thieman...	\$9 85
"	11	" extra charges on 2 seals, 40c each.....	80
"	11	" recutting seal Div. 65, Voucher 123.....	2 60
"	21	To cash 2 G. D. and 11 traveling cards.....	\$4 75
"	21	" Division 18.....	1 00
"	21	" " 66.....	1 00
"	21	By cash 500 envelopes 8c, Voucher 125.....	16 00
"	21	" seal Division 25, Voucher 124.....	3 00
"	21	" 75 envelopes 8c, enclosed to railway superintendents with request for transporta- tion	2 60
Sept.	1	To cash Division 10.....	1 05
"	1	" " 27.....	25
"	1	" " 65.....	2 00
"	1	" " 68.....	20 00
"	1	" 1 G. D. and 23 traveling cards.....	6 75
"	1	By cash 100 3c stamps for division reports.....	3 00
"	1	" 1 Ins. certificate to Division 55, cred- ited to expense by error, journal 152.....	2 50
"	5	By cash seal for Division 68 and repairing G.D. seal, Voucher 125.....	3 85
"	5	To cash 16 traveling cards.....	4 00
"	5	" Division 46.....	1 00
"	14	" " 54.....	1 00
"	14	" " 1.....	1 00
"	14	" 15 traveling cards.....	3 65
"	18	" 1 " card.....	25
"	18	" Division 53.....	5 00
"	18	" " 13.....	2 00
"	18	" " 68.....	20 00
"	22	" 4 traveling cards.....	1 00
"	29	" 6 credentials, 38 traveling cards.....	15 50
"	29	" Division 12.....	27 50
"	29	" " 52.....	50 00
"	29	" " 10.....	2 25
"	29	" " 44.....	52 22
"	29	" " 24.....	24 00
"	29	" " 68.....	1 50
"	29	" " 4.....	16 00
"	29	" " 61.....	37 00
"	29	" " 34.....	29 00
"	29	" " 45.....	17 00
"	29	" " 13.....	3 50
"	29	" " 47.....	19 00
"	29	" " 17.....	11 26
"	29	" " 9.....	30 00
"	29	" " 5.....	14 00

		Dr.	Cr.
1882.			
Sept. 29	By cash printing Circulars 9 and 10		\$4 25
" 30	To cash profit on <i>Railroader</i>	\$16 55	
" 30	" profit on insurance	47 50	
" 30	" Division 45.....	40 00	
" 30	" " 6.....	16 00	
" 30	" " 25.....	40 00	
" 30	" 4 Grand Division cards.	4 00	
	On hand.....		1498 36
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Referred to Committee on Grand Officers' Report.

Chairman of Executive Committee presented their report as follows:

ST. PAUL, October 17th, 1882.

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers:

We, your Executive Committee, beg leave to submit the following report: On January 30th, we received the bond of our G. S. and T., in the sum of \$10,000, which was duly approved by all members of the Executive Committee.

On May 20th, Bro. Ashton, chairman of our committee, visited Burlington, Iowa, for the purpose of examining the books of our G. S. and T. in compliance with Art. 4, Sec 1 of the Constitution, but was unable to do so on account of the absence of Bro. Daniels. We have, therefore, been unable to comply with the requirements of the Constitution. During the year we have approved four dispensations granted by the G. C. C. for the purpose of initiating and promoting into our Order men who were not employed as railway conductors at that time. There were various others came to us which we could not approve. Expense account for stationery and postage stamps of your Executive Committee for the past year has been \$5.00. And in conclusion we would say, that as we have had a very prosperous and harmonious year our report is necessarily very brief.

C. R. ASHTON,
H. S. CHAPMAN,
M. RYAN,

Executive Committee.

Referred to Committee on Grand Officers' Reports.

Chairman of Executive Committee on Insurance reported that the committee had transacted no business, except appointing a physician to examine doubtful applications. Report accepted by general consent.

Minutes read, corrected and approved.

Grand Division closed at 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 2:30 P. M.

Present: Wheaton, Fitzgerald, Daniels, Dunn, Jennison, Martin, Stoner, Parker, Sparks, Brown, Millard, Darling, Anderson, I. F., Pierce, Klopheh, Crawford, Hoskins, Milliken, Horner, Brainerd, Ryan, B. F., Flint, Galletin, Ogilvie, Fay, Working, Sanders, Hogan, Hammond, German, Phipps, Roberts, Henwood, Stone, Greer, Mead, Anderson, O. F., Tucker, Coyne, Boggs, Hobson, Laughlin, Soule, Weed, Johnson, Farnham, Robinson, Forker, McCoy, Chapman, Ryan, M., Ashton, Shair, Archer, Carver, Aechternacht, Rosencranz, Herman and Long, J. C. W.

J. S. Randolph, delegate Randolph Division, No. 29, and C. B. Nash, delegate Moberly Division, No. 49, presented their credentials and were admitted.

CALL OF DIVISIONS

Under this order, all matter submitted was referred to the proper committees.

Partial report of the Committee on Jurisprudence presented by Chairman Chapman, as follows:

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, beg leave to report as follows:

We recommend the rejection of the amendment to Section 2, Article 1, of the Statutes offered Bro. Crawford.

We recommend the rejection of the amendment to the Ritual offered by Bro. Hobson.

H. S. CHAPMAN,
JAS. OGILVIE,
L. P. MARTIN,
F. W. FLINT,
C. A. MILLARD,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Herman, first recommendation of committee concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, amendment to Section 3, Article 1, of the Statutes, referred back to committee with instructions to report an enacting clause.

On motion of Herman, third recommendation of committee concurred in.

A series of amendments to the Constitution, doing away with the insurance and providing a sinking fund for the benefit of all members, offered by Bro. Daniels.

On motion of Bro. Dunn, consideration of amendments made a special order for 2:45 P. M. Wednesday.

On motion of Bro. Phipps, the regalias of defunct Rocky Mountain Division, No. 43, were presented to R. Law Division, No. 35.

On motion of Bro. J. C. W. Long, the regalias of defunct Keystone State Division, No. 32, were presented to the division of same name and number.

Report of Committee on Jurisprudence by Bro. Chapman, Chairman:

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, wish to report as follows:

We believe it to be inexpedient to take any steps at this time toward founding a "Home," and therefore recommend the rejection of the papers submitted by the delegates from Divisions Nos. 9 and 65. We respectfully refer the paper submitted by delegate from Division No. 48 back to your honorable body.

H. S. CHAPMAN,

L. P. MARTIN,

JAS. OGILVIE,

F. W. FLINT,

C. A. MILLARD,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Dunn, the recommendation of committee was concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, the paper submitted by Bro. O. F. Anderson, of Division 48, was referred back to the committee with instructions to prepare answers to the questions contained therein.

On motion of Bro. Greer, G. C. C. appointed Bros. Greer, J. C. W. Long, Johnson, Hoskins and O. F. Anderson, a special committee to report resolutions of thanks to parties from whom favors have been received.

Grand Secretary, in behalf of T. J. Donahue, presented an appeal from the decision of Star Division, No. 31. Appeal and papers relating thereto referred to Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

Report of Committee on Jurisprudence by Bro. Chapman, Chairman:

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, beg leave to report as follows:

We recommend the rejection of the amendment to Section 3, Article 3, of the Statutes, submitted by Bro. Johnson.

We recommend the adoption of the following, submitted by Bro. Laughlin:

"Be it ordered, that hereafter all proceedings of the Grand Division be printed in uniform size in pamphlet form."

We recommend the adoption of the following, submitted by Bro. Laughlin:

"Be it ordered, that all traveling cards be printed in uniform size."

We recommend the rejection of the amendments to Section 2, Article 7, of the Statutes, submitted by Bros. Darling and Laughlin.

H. S. CHAPMAN,

L. P. MARTIN,

JAS. OGILVIE,

F. W. FLINT,

C. A. MILLARD,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Herman, first recommendation of committee concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Dunn, second recommendation of committee concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Greer, third recommendation of committee concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Soule, the vote on motion to concur in third recommendation was reconsidered, and on second vote the motion was lost and the recommendation non-concurred in.

On motion of Bro. M. Ryan, the fourth recommendation was concurred in.

Minutes read, corrected and approved.

Grand Division closed at 6:15 P. M.

SECOND DAY.

DRUID'S HALL, Wednesday, October 18th, 1882.

Grand Division opened at 9:40 P. M. Present: Bros. Wheaton, Fitzgerald, Daniels, Defries, Dunn, Jennison, Martin, Cole, Stoner, Parker, Sparks, G. H. Brown, Millard, Darling, I. F. Anderson, Pierce, Klophele, Crawford, Hoskins, Milliken, Horner, Brainerd, B. F. Ryan, Flint, Happ, Galletin, Ogilvie, Randolph, Fay, Sanders, Hogan, Hammond, German, Phipps, Roberts, Henwood, Mitchell, Stone, E. Fitzgerald, Greer, Mead, Tucker, O. F. Anderson, Nash, Coyne, Boggs, Hobson, Laughlin, Soule, Weed, Johnson, Farnham, Robinson, Marsh, Forker, McCoy, Chapman, M. Ryan, Ashton, Slair, Archer, Carver, Aechternacht, Rosencranz, Herman, Stanchfield and Arnum.

The following letter was read and placed on file:

MAYOR'S OFFICE, ST. PAUL, October 17th, 1882.

Col. J. A. Mitchell, Chairman St. Paul & Minneapolis Division, No. 40, of the Order of Railway Conductors of the United States and Canada:

DEAR SIR:—I take pleasure in extending to the Order of Railway Conductors now assembled in St. Paul, the use of Market Hall for such purposes as may be agreeable to them during their stay in the city, and also extending to them the freedom and hospitality of the city.

Yours very truly,

EDMUND RICE,
Mayor.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, Bros. Mitchell, Robinson and Stanchfield were appointed a committee to reply to Mr. Rice, returning the thanks of the Grand Division for his kind invitation.

The following letters were read and placed on file:

BEAUMONT, TEXAS, October 8th, 1882.

C. S. Wheaton, Esq., G. C. C., W. P. Daniels, Esq., G. S. and T., Officers, Delegates and Brothers, Fifteenth Annual Session of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors convened in Druid's Hall, St. Paul, Minn.:

In view of urgent necessity for completing the Sabine & East Texas Railway, and illness of my dear wife, it will be *impossible* to be with you at *this* session of the Grand Division, which I very much regret. However, I send *fraternal* greeting to my brothers now assembled in annual council, and regret my *inability* to be *present* to participate in your deliberations. May you be guided from on high and brotherly love prevail. I will consider it a very great favor if some one of the brothers will mail me a copy of the paper while in session and on excursion trip, that I may know what you are doing and what brothers are present. I will consider this favor a prize never to be forgotten. I move, Bro. G. C. C., that you appoint a committee to comply with the request, but do not appoint Bro. Greer as that committee, as it will be like the red bird, I never will get it.

Fraternally yours in P. F.,

JOHN B. MORFORD.

P. G. C. C.

ST. THOMAS, ONT., October 15th, 1882.

W. P. Daniels, Esq.,

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER:—At the last moment I have been refused leave of absence. (See the enclosed and return to me.) I sincerely regret this, as I had made every arrangement, and had been led to believe I could get off. Please state my reasons to Grand Division for non-attendance, and inform them that I regret being absent, but, under the circumstances, it is unavoidable. Hoping that the Grand Division will have a most successful session, and that this session will be one long remembered in the annals of the Order, is the wish of

Yours ever in P. F.

WM. A. WEBSTER,

G. O. S.

On motion of Bro. Soule, the Grand Secretary was instructed to reply to the letters of Bros. Morford, Webster and Collins, expressing the regret of the Grand Division that they were not able to be present.

Petition of S. L. Cole, an expelled member of defunct Division No. 15 to be reinstated, read. On motion of Bro. Daniels, the petition was referred to Division No. 5 with instructions to investigate and report to the next Grand Division.

E. B. Hunt of Division 32, John Niblock of Division 48, A. G. Brown of Division 60, and M. Long, permanent member, presented their credentials and were admitted.

Bro. Niblock announced the death of Bro. R. H. Hopkins, Assistant Chief Conductor of Division 47.

On motion of Bro. Niblock, a committee of five was appointed to report a form of badges for members of the Grand Division. G. C. C. appointed Bros. Niblock, Phipps, Robinson, Weed and O. F. Anderson.

Bros. Carver, Aechternacht and Stanchfield presented a petition for the election of Bro. R. E. Fitzgerald to permanent membership in the Grand Division. On ballot, Bro. Fitzgerald was duly elected.

Bros. Mitchell, Chapman and Ashton presented a petition for the election of Bro. Hy. Shew to permanent membership in the Grand Division. On ballot, Bro. Shew was duly elected.

Committee on Jurisprudence submitted the following:

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers:

We, your committee, respectfully submit the following on the papers presented by the delegate from Division No. 48:

We recommend that the Grand Chief Conductor explain the connection of the word — page 28 of the Ritual.

In regard to the request that the lecture be repeated by the C. C. and A. C. C., we think it should be done, and recommend that you so order. In regard to instructions as to manner of receiving grip and word, your committee believe the matter to be fully covered on pages 5 and 6 of the Ritual. As to the selection of hymns, that will not require professional singers for the execution. Your committee believe that such *might* be selected but have no recommendation to make. We would respectfully recommend that the resolution providing that no business shall come before the division after the installation of officers, be rejected. In regard to public installation of officers, we respectfully refer your Grand Body to page 7 of the Constitution, and recommend that no change be made.

IL. S. CHAPMAN,
L. P. MARTIN,
JAS. OGILVIE,
F. W. FLINT,
C. A. MILLARD,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Herman, report was adopted and recommendations concurred in.

Committee on Grievances and Appeals made the following report by Bro. Rosencranz, Chairman:

ST. PAUL, October 18th, 1882.

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers:

We, your Committee on Grievances and Appeals, beg leave to report as follows:

In the matter of the expulsion of T. J. Donahue by Star Division, No. 31, we find from the transcript of the trial, as presented by the Secretary

under seal, that said Donahue was expelled without even the form of a trial, and we earnestly recommend that your Grand Body reverse the decision of Division 31, and that Donahue be restored to membership therein.

F. ROSENCRANZ,
E. C. BRAINERD,
W. E. FORKER,
W. M. DARLING,
C. R. MARSH,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. M. Ryan, report was adopted and recommendation concurred in.

Committee on Grand Officers' Reports presented their report by Bro. Carver, Chairman.

ST. PAUL, October 18th, 1882

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers:

We, your Committee on Grand Officers' Reports, have carefully examined the reports of the Grand Chief Conductor, Grand Secretary and Treasurer, and Executive Committee, and wish to report as follows:

REPORT OF GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR.

We concur in the acts and decisions of the Grand Chief Conductor up to September 3d, granting dispensation to Division 52, authorizing them to abbreviate in opening and closing the division. This being, we think, a direct violation of the Constitution and Ritual, and we believe there was not sufficient grounds for such dispensation.

We recommend that all dispensations be issued by the G. C. C.

We approve the suggestion of the G. C. C. in regard to duties of the Inside Sentinel, on page 5 of the Ritual. We also approve the suggestion as to inserting a question after the words "I will," on page 13 of the Ritual.

Your committee respectfully recommend the use of the "short form" of opening and closing divisions.

We earnestly recommend that the office of Grand Chief Conductor be made a salaried one, deeming it for the best interests of the Order. We also recommend that as soon as practicable the office of Grand Secretary and Treasurer be made a salaried one, and that he be handsomely remembered for his services the past year.

With the balance of the report we fully concur, and we recommend that the bill of the G. C. C. be allowed in full as presented.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

We cordially approve the following recommendations of the G. S. and T.: Making the office of Grand Chief Conductor a salaried one; providing

an emblem for the regalia of permanent members, and making an appropriation for the purchase of a type writer for the use of the G. S. and T., and we recommend that they be adopted.

We recommend that the account of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer be referred to the Committee on Finance.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

We recommend that the bill of the Executive Committee be allowed in full, and that their report be adopted.

L. R. CARVER,
I. F. ANDERSON,
S. E. FARNHAM,
J. C. WEED,
GEO. J. JOHNSON,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Herman, report was adopted.

Bro. Niblock made a statement of the case of John S. Milan, who, it was claimed, petitioned Division 61 for initiation when not employed as a railway conductor, and requested the Grand Division to investigate the action of Division 61 in admitting Milan to membership.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, Bros. Daniels, Niblock and Johnson were appointed a committee to investigate and report.

Committee on Jurisprudence submit the following :

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers :

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, beg leave to make the following report on matter submitted to us :

We recommend the adoption of the amendment to Article 8, of the Insurance Laws, submitted by Bro. Daniels, as follows :

To amend Article 8, of the Insurance Laws. Be it enacted that Article 8, of the Insurance Laws, be amended by striking out the words, "and must be accompanied by a physician's certificate of good health." This amendment shall take effect and be in full force on and after the first day of November, 1882.

We recommend the adoption of the following resolution, submitted by Bro. Crawford :

Resolved, That Section 3, Article 1, of the Statutes, be amended to read, "officers of divisions and delegate to Grand Division."

H. S. CHAPMAN,
JAS. OGILVIE,
L. P. MARTIN,
C. A. MILLARD,
F. W. FLINT,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. J. C. W. Long, first recommendation was concurred in by a vote of 49 to 17, as follows :

Ayes—Wheaton, Fitzgerald, R. E., Daniels, Ashton, Chapman, Ryan, M., Slair, Archer, Carver, Aechternacht, Jennison, Martin, Cole, Parker, Sparks, Millard, Darling, Anderson, I. F., Pierce, Klophele, Crawford, Hoskins, Milliken, Brainerd, Ryan, B. F., Ogilvie, Randolph, Sanders, Hammond, German, Phipps, Roberts, Mitchell, Stone, Mead, Tucker, Anderson, O. F., Boggs, Hobson, Laughlin, Soule, Johnson, Farnham, Robinson, Marsh, Forker, McCoy, Weed, Nash—49.

Nays—Dunn, Rosencranz, Herman, Stanchfield, Long, J. C. W., Stoner, Horner, Flint, Galletin, Fay, Hogan, Henwood, Greer, Coyne, Fitzgerald, E., Arnum, Happ—17.

Moved by Bro. Greer to concur in second recommendation. Motion rejected by a vote of 1 to 55, as follows :

Ayes—Brown, A. G.—1

Nays—Wheaton, Fitzgerald, R. E., Daniels, Defries, Dunn, Ashton, Ryan, M., Slair, Archer, Carver, Aechternacht, Rosencranz, Herman, Long, J. C. W., Cole, Parker, Sparks, Brown, G. H., Darling, Anderson, I. F., Crawford, Hoskins, Milliken, Horner, Brainerd, Ryan, B. F., Galletin, Fay, Hammond, German, Phipps, Roberts, Mitchell, Stone, Greer, Mead, Tucker, Coyne, Boggs, Hobson, Soule, Johnson, Farnham, Marsh, Forker, McCoy, Weed, Nash, Fitzgerald, E., Arnum, Happ, Hunt, Long, M., Niblock, Shew—55.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, resolution of Bro. Crawford was referred back to committee with instructions to prepare an amendment in accordance therewith.

On motion of Bro. Herman, it was ordered that a public installation of officers be held at Market Hall.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, Bros. Mitchell, Robinson and Stanchfield were appointed a committee to arrange for installation.

Minutes read and approved. Closed at 12:30 P. M.

Grand Division opened at 2 30 P. M.

Present—Bros. Wheaton, Fitzgerald, R. E., Daniels, Defries, Dunn, Jennison, Martin, Cole, Stoner, Parker, Sparks, Brown, G. H., Millard, Darling, Anderson, I. F., Klophele, Crawford, Hoskins, Milliken, Horner, Ryan, B. F., Flint, Happ, Galletin, Ogilvie, Randolph, Working, Hunt, Sanders, Hogan, Hammond, German, Phipps, Roberts, Henwood, Mitchell, Stone, Fitzgerald, E., Greer, Mead, Tucker, Niblock, Anderson, O. F., Nash, Coyne, Boggs, Hobson, Laughlin, Soule, Weed, Johnson, Farnham, Robinson, Marsh, Forker, McCoy, Chapman, Ryan, M., Ashton, Slair, Archer, Carver, Aechternacht, Rosencranz, Herman, Stanchfield, Long, J. C. W., Arnum, Long, M., Shew.

Committee on Jurisprudence submitted the following :

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers :

We, your Jurisprudence Committee, wish to report as follows on matters referred to us :

We recommend that the proposal of Bro. Hobson to substitute the old Ritual for the new, be rejected. We recommend the adoption of the amendments to Article 3, of the Constitution, submitted by Bro. Daniels, as follows:

To amend Article 3, of the Constitution.

Be it Enacted, That Article 3, of the Constitution, be amended by inserting the following :

ELECTION AND COMPENSATION OF GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR.—Sec. 2a. The Grand Chief Conductor shall be elected for a term of three years, provided the first term shall expire in October, A. D., 1884, and the election shall occur at the regular election of officers in every year thereafter which is a multiple of three. He shall receive for his services the sum of two-thousand dollars (\$2,000) per annum, payable monthly, and the necessary office expenses incurred by him shall be paid by the Order, provided no appropriation shall be made for their payment until the accounts have been passed upon by the Committee on Finance. This section shall take effect and be in full force on and after its final passage, and any section or part of section of the Constitution or Statutes conflicting herewith is hereby repealed.

To amend Article 3, of the Constitution.

Be it Enacted, That Article 3, of the Constitution, be amended by inserting the following :

ELECTION AND COMPENSATION OF GRAND SECRETARY AND TREASURER.—Sec. 2b. The Grand Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected for a term of three years, provided the first term shall expire in October of the first year which is a multiple of three, after this section takes effect, and the election shall occur at the regular election of officers in every year thereafter which is a multiple of three. He shall receive for his services the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) per annum, and the necessary office expenses incurred by him shall be paid by the Order, but no appropriation shall be made for their payment until the accounts have been passed upon by the Committee on Finance. This section shall take effect and be in full force, and any section or part of section of the Constitution or Statutes conflicting herewith shall be repealed on and after any day fixed by the Grand Division at any regular session thereof, and until such fixed day it shall be inoperative and void.

We recommend the adoption of the preamble, order and resolution submitted by Bro. Daniels, as follows :

WHEREAS, The progress of the Order for the past four years has been very gratifying to its members and friends, and particularly so during the

year just closed, which has witnessed an increase of twenty divisions and 500 members ; and,

WHEREAS, Our treasury now has a surplus of \$2,500, something of a contrast with the situation four years ago, when, as the consequence of a series of misfortunes commencing with the almost universal trouble and dissatisfaction resulting from the great strike of the summer of 1877, we were about \$3,500 in debt and hardly a dollar on hand ; and,

WHEREAS, We, the Grand Officers and representatives of the Order of Railway Conductors, in Grand Division assembled, firmly believe that our prosperity can be made continuous and permanent by providing ways and means for our chosen officers to prosecute the work before them ; and,

WHEREAS, A prominent member of the Order who has been identified with the Grand Division for many years, who has been faithful to the interests of the Order in adversity as well as in prosperity, in shadow as well as in sunshine, who has never swerved when the future looked almost hopeless, who has borne upon his shoulders more of the burden of the conflict than any other one member, has signified his willingness to sign the agreement presented herewith if elected to the office of Grand Chief Conductor ; therefore, be it

Ordered, That the Grand Secretary prepare a contract in triplicate in accordance with the terms herewith given, to-wit :

- 1st. The Grand Chief Conductor to devote all his time to the Order.
- 2d. Salary to be \$2,000 per annum, payable monthly.
- 3d. Necessary office expenses to be paid by the Order at the close of the year, the Grand Division to arbitrate in case of dispute.
- 4th. The Grand Chief Conductor to relinquish all claim to the salary provided for by Section 2, of Article 3, of the Constitution ; and be it further

Ordered, That the Executive Committee sign the contract on behalf of the Order of Railway Conductors, and endeavor to secure the signature of the Grand Chief Conductor, and when properly signed the original to be held by them, the duplicate delivered to the Grand Chief Conductor and the triplicate filed with the Grand Secretary ; and,

WHEREAS, It is the sense of the members of this fifteenth session of the Grand Division, that a member who resigns a situation as conductor, with a fair prospect of permanency, to accept the office of Grand Chief Conductor, under a contract as above outlined, must necessarily make something of a sacrifice, particularly if he has been in the service of one company a number of years, and has climbed from the foot of the ladder, and believing that a member who makes this sacrifice is entitled to no little consideration at our hands ; and,

WHEREAS, It is our opinion that after a trial of one year with a salaried executive, the Order will never return to the method of the past ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we earnestly request our successors, members of the sixteenth session, to take the above into consideration, and if consistent with the welfare and prosperity of the Order, to cast their ballots for Grand Chief Conductor, for the person who assumes the responsibility during the experimental year.

H. S. CHAPMAN,
L. P. MARTIN,
C. A. MILLARD,
JAS. OGILVIE,
F. W. FLINT,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Herman, first recommendation was concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Johnson, Section 2a was amended by striking out \$2,000 and inserting \$2,500.

On motion of Bro. Herman, Section 2a was adopted as amended.

On motion of Bro. Carver, Section 2b was adopted.

On motion of Bro. Johnson, second specification for contract with Grand Chief Conductor was amended by striking out \$2,000 and inserting \$2,500.

On motion of Bro. Chapman, preamble, order and resolution was adopted.

C. H. Shipman, delegate from Division No. 10, presented his credentials and was admitted.

A telegram was received from Division No. 20, asking that Bro. T. Harrington be allowed to represent them.

On motion of Bro. Dunn, request was allowed.

The following resolution was offered by Bro. Working :

Resolved, That hereafter, any conductor desiring to join the Order shall petition the division nearest the terminus of his run or where he resides, and any division receiving the petition of a person in the jurisdiction of another division without the consent of the division holding jurisdiction, shall be subject to discipline.

On motion of Bro. Herman, resolution was adopted.

The following resolution was offered by Bro. Aechnernacht :

Resolved, That the ———— now on exhibition be adopted as the standard form of ———— to be used by subordinate divisions, and the G. C. C. and G. S. and T. are hereby directed to make arrangements for their manufacture and notify divisions of the price, and each new division shall be furnished with a ———— when organized and the price added to the fee for organizing.

Moved by Bro. Working that the resolution be adopted.

G. C. C. declared motion lost.

A roll call was asked for with the following result :

Ayes—Fitzgerald, R. E., Daniels, Ashton, Chapman, Aechnernacht, Carver, Rosencranz, Martin, Cole, Sparks, Anderson, I. F., Flint, Fay, Hogan, Hammond, German, Roberts, Henwood, Mitchell, Laughlin, Soule,

Johnson, Farnham, Robinson, Marsh, Forker, McCoy, Week, Nash, Arnum, Brown, A. G., Niblock, Working—33.

Nays—Wheaton, Defries, Dunn, Ryan, M., Slair, Archer, Herman, Stanchfield, Long, J. C. W. Parker, Brown, G. H., Millard, Darling, Klopffel, Crawford, Hoskins, Millikin, Horner, Ryan, B. F., Galletin, Ogilvie, Phipps, Stone, Greer, Mead, Tucker, Coyne, Boggs, Hobson, Fitzgerald, E., Happ, Hunt, Shew, Shipman—34.

The following was offered by Bro. J. C. W. Long :

Resolved, That the word "occupation" be stricken from the traveling card.

On motion of Bro. Greer, resolution was adopted.

The following was offered by Bro. Martin :

Resolved, That there be a word of caution or warning added to our secret order.

On motion of Bro. Chapman, referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Bro. Niblock to amend the Ritual, on page 4, providing that it shall be discretionary with divisions whether they open regular meetings on the first degree or not.

On motion of Bro. Chapman, referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

The Committee on Finance presented the following report :

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers :

Your Committee on Finance would respectfully submit to you this, their preliminary report :

We have carefully examined the books, accounts and papers of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, and find them correct. We find one item of \$16.20 for stamped envelopes for which there is no voucher, but we believe the item to be correct. We find the Grand Treasurer has received from all sources \$3,960.30; expended during the year, \$2,461.94, leaving a balance on hand of \$1,498.36.

We recommend that the Grand Secretary and Treasurer be paid for his services the past year the sum of \$600.00.

We recommend that the Grand Chief Conductor be paid the sum of \$1,000.00, this to cover all the expenses of his office during the year.

We also recommend that a unanimous vote of thanks be tendered Bros. Wheaton, G. C. C., and Daniels, G. S. and T., by your Grand Body for the able and efficient manner in which they have conducted the affairs of their respective offices during the past year, and that they may be spared for many years of usefulness to the Order, is the nearest wish of your Committee.

E. O. SOULE,
J. N. ROBINSON,
JAS. LAUGHLIN,
W. R. KLOPFEL,
GEO. W. HENWOOD,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Herman, report adopted and all recommendations concurred in.

Bro. A. G. Brown offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That one black ball shall reject a candidate instead of two.

On motion of Bro. Chapman, referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

On motion of Bro. Coyne, the hour for installation was fixed at 3 P. M., Friday.

Bro. Niblock, in behalf of Division No. 47, invited the Grand Division to visit Winnipeg and attend a banquet to be given by Division 47, notifying them that Division 47 had unanimously adopted a vote of thanks to the Grand Division for including Winnipeg in the route of their excursion. Also in behalf of the officers of the Canadian Pacific Railway, extending the courtesies of that road.

On motion of Bro. Greer the invitation was accepted and a vote of thanks tendered.

Minutes read, corrected and approved.

Closed at 6 P. M.

THIRD DAY.

DRUID'S HALL, Thursday, October 19, 1882.

Grand Division opened at 9:30 A. M.

Present — Bros. Wheaton, Fitzgerald, R. E., Defries, Dunn, Jennison, Martin, Cole, Stoner, Parker, Brown, G. H., Millard, Shipman, Darling, Anderson, I. F., Pierce, Klophele, Crawford, Hoskins, Milliken, Harrington, Horner, Brainerd, Ryan, B. F., Flint, Happ, Galletin, Ogilvie, Randolph, Fay, Working, Hunt, Sanders, Hogan, Hammond, German, Phipps, Roberts, Henwood, Mitchell, Stone, Fitzgerald, E., Greer, Mead, Tucker, Niblock, Anderson, O. F., Nash, Coyne, Boggs, Hobson, Laughlin, Soule, Weed, Brown, A. G., Johnson, Farnham, Marsh, Forker, McCoy, Chapman, Ryan, M., Ashton, Slair, Archer, Carver, Aechternacht, Rosencranz, Long, J. C. W., Arnun, Long, M., Shew and Davidson.

Bill of H. S. Chapman for \$5.50 for expenses while acting as Deputy G. C. C., referred to Finance Committee.

Finance Committee submitted the following :

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers :

We, your Finance Committee, respectfully submit the following :

We recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to procure new regalias for the Grand Division, and that the necessary amount be appropriated to pay for them.

We also recommend that the Grand dues for the ensuing year be one dollar per member.

E. O. SOULE,
GEO. W. HENWOOD,
JAS. LAUGHLIN,
J. N. ROBINSON,
W. R. KLOPHEL,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, report was adopted and recommendations concurred in.

G. C. C. appointed Bro. Davidson on special committee to investigate complaint of Division 47 against Division 61, *vice* Daniels, relieved.

On motion of Bro. Dunn, the vote on resolution providing a standard form of ——— was reconsidered.

Resolution was adopted—50 ayes, 20 nays, as follows :

Ayes—Wheaton, Fitzgerald, R. E., Daniels, Dunn, Ashton, Chapman, Ryan, M., Slair, Carver, Aechternacht, Rosencranz, Herman, Martin, Cole, Stoner, Parker, Millard, Darling, Anderson, I. F., Horner, Ryan, B. F., Flint, Fay, Sanders, Hogan, Hammond, German, Roberts, Henwood, Mitchell, Stone, Greer, Mead, Tucker, Boggs, Hobson, Laughlin, Soule, Johnson, Farnham, Marsh, Forker, Weed, Nash, Fitzgerald, E., Arnum, Hunt, Niblock, Working, Harrington—50.

Nays—Defries, Archer, Long, J. C. W., Jennison, Brown, G. H., Pierce, Klophele, Crawford, Hoskins, Milliken, Galletin, Ogilvie, Randolph, Phipps, Anderson, O. F., Coyne, McCoy, Happ, Brown, A. G., Davidson—20.

Committee on Jurisprudence presented the following :

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers :

We, your Jurisprudence Committee, respectfully submit the following :

We recommend the rejection of the amendments to Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes offered by Bros. Daniels and Ogilvie, and present the following substitute, which we request you to adopt :

Be it Enacted, That Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, be amended by striking out all after the word "such" and inserting "provided, however, that any person who has had five years experience as a conductor on a surface railway and is at the time of making application in active service on a surface railway, shall be eligible to membership." Any section or part of section of the Constitution or Statutes conflicting herewith is hereby repealed. This amendment shall take effect and be in full force on and after its final passage.

H. S. CHAPMAN,
L. P. MARTIN,
C. A. MILLARD,
JAS. OGILVIE,
F. W. FLINT,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Darling, report was adopted and recommendations concurred in.

G. C. C. Wheaton appointed Bro. Roberts on Committee on Jurisprudence, vice Bro. Millard, relieved.

Committee on Division Reports presented the following:

To the Officers and Members of the Grand Division, Order of Railway Conductors:

We, the undersigned committee appointed on Division Reports, have examined them carefully, and beg leave to report as follows:

Chicago Division, No. 1—Error in recapitulation, one member admitted by card and not brought forward.

Buffalo Division, No. 2—Officers' names inserted with roll of members, names not inserted in alphabetical order, and division seal not attached.

St. Louis Division, No. 3—Division seal not attached.

Marshall Division, No. 4—Found correct.

Collins Division, No. 5—Found correct.

Battle Creek Division, No. 6—Names of members who were admitted by card is shown as initiated and promoted.

Houston Division, No. 7—Officers' names appear with roll of members. Members promoted and withdrawn does not appear in recapitulation.

Rochester Division, No. 8—Found correct.

Elmira Division, No. 9—Division seal not attached.

So. Tier Division, No. 10—Officers' names appear with roll of members.

Emporia Division, No. 11—Mistake in recapitulation.

Lackawanna Division, No. 12—Names of members not in alphabetical form

Union Division, No. 13—Membership not properly shown in recapitulation.

Cleveland Division, No. 14—Officers' names appear with roll of members, and division seal not attached.

Stratford Division, No. 15—Members not properly shown in recapitulation, and division seal not attached.

London Division, No. 16—Found correct.

Toronto Division, No. 17—Officers' names appear with roll of members, recapitulation not carried out, and division seal not attached.

Daniels Division, No. 19—Membership not properly shown in recapitulation.

Garfield Division, No. 20—Found correct.

Creston Division, No. 21—Officers' names appear with roll of members, and not inserted in alphabetical form.

Mason City Division, No. 22—Membership not properly shown in recapitulation.

Sylvania Division, No. 23—O. K.

St. Albans Division, No. 24—Members' names not in alphabetical form, and members not all inserted in roll.

- Maple City Division, No. 25—O K.
 Morford Division, No. 26—O K.
 Arnum Division, No. 27—O K.
 Randolph Division, No. 29—O K.
 Ozark Division, No. 30—O K.
 Star Division, No. 31—Members who have been initiated and promoted are not shown in roll of membership.
 Keystone Division, No. 32—O K.
 Clinton Division, No. 33—O K.
 Boone Division, No. 34—Officers' names shown in roll of membership, and recapitulation not properly filled out.
 R. Law Division, No. 35—Recapitulation not properly filled out.
 Arkansas Division, No. 36—O K.
 Delaware Division, No. 37—Members' names not inserted in alphabetical form.
 Des Moines Division, No. 38—O K.
 Hannibal Division, No. 39—O K.
 St. P. & M. Division, No. 40—Officers' names inserted with roll of members.
 Trenton Division, No. 42—O K.
 Central Division, No. 43—Recapitulation form not properly filled out.
 Denver Division, No. 44—O K.
 Chapman Division, No. 45—Recapitulation form not properly filled out.
 Milwaukee Division, No. 46—O K.
 Mitchell Division, No. 47—Recapitulation form not properly filled out.
 International Division, No. 48—O K.
 Moberly Division, No. 49—Recapitulation form not properly filled out.
 Silver State Division, No. 51—Shows no officers or members, and division seal not attached.
 Neversink Division, No. 52—Recapitulation shows five members more than shown on roll of membership.
 Lone Star Division, No. 53—Names of members promoted omitted on roll of membership. Recapitulation form not properly filled out.
 New York City Division, No. 54—O K.
 Kaw Valley Division, No. 55—Report under head of promotion not properly filled out.
 Valley City Division, No. 58—O K.
 Alamo Division, No. 59—O K.
 Queen City Division, No. 60—O K.
 LaCrosse Division, No. 61—O K.
 Leflet Division, No. 62—O K.
 Thurber Division, No. 63—O K.
 Erie Division, No. 64—O K.
 Banana Division, No. 65—O K.
 Griffin Division, No. 66—Members' names not in alphabetical form, and division seal not attached.

Baraboo Division, No. 68—Officers' names appear in roll of membership. All of which we respectfully submit for your consideration.

C. W. JENNISON,
O. F. ANDERSON,
D. E. PIERCE,
F. M. SANDERS,
J. S. RANDOLPH,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Herman, report was accepted.

On motion of Bro. Daniels, the Grand Secretary was instructed to correct the reports as far as possible.

Committee on Jurisprudence presented the following:

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers:

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, beg leave to present the following answers to questions referred to us:

What constitutes one year's experience as a conductor within the meaning of the Constitution? It is our opinion that an applicant should have actually ran a train during (12) consecutive months on one road to become eligible.

Concerning the eligibility of maimed applicants, it is our opinion that when an applicant is otherwise qualified physical misfortune does not disqualify.

We recommend the adoption of the resolution offered by Bro. Martin, as follows:

Resolved, That there be a word of caution or warning added to our secret work.

And we recommend that the word —— be adopted as such word.

We recommend the adoption of the amendment to Section 1, Article 9, of the Constitution, offered by Bro. Daniels, as follows:

Be it enacted, That the words "except when organized" be stricken out of the sixth paragraph of Section 1, Article 9, of the Constitution. This amendment shall take effect and be in full force on and after the first day of November, A. D. 1883.

We recommend the rejection of the amendment to Article 3 of the Statutes, offered by Bro. Daniels.

In accordance with instructions, we report the following amendment to Section 3, Article 1, of the Statutes:

Be it enacted, That Section 3, Article 1, of the Statutes, be amended by inserting after the word "division," in the same line, the words "and delegate to Grand Division." This amendment to take effect and be in full force on and after its final passage.

H. S. CHAPMAN,
JAS. OGILVIE,
C. P. MARTIN,
J. R. ROBERTS,
F. W. FLINT,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Ashton, report was adopted and all recommendations concurred in.

Committee on Finance reported as follows:

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers:

We, your Committee on Finance, have examined the bill of Bro. H. S. Chapman, find it correct, and recommend that an order be drawn for the amount.

E. O. SOULE,
GEO. W. HENWOOD,
JAS. LAUGHLIN,
W. R. KLOPHIEL,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. J. C. W. Long, recommendation concurred in.

On motion of Bro. Phipps, a committee of three was appointed, consisting of Bros. Phipps, Johnson and J. C. W. Long, to confer with Mr. Leflet in regard to the conditions of continuing the *Railroader* as the official organ of the Order.

Committee on Jurisprudence present the following:

Grand Chief Conductor and Brothers:

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, wish to submit the following:

We recommend the rejection of the resolution of Bro. A. G. Brown, providing that one black bail shall reject a candidate.

H. S. CHAPMAN,
L. P. MARTIN,
JAS. OGILVIE,
J. R. ROBERTS,
F. W. FLINT,

Committee.

We, the majority of your committee, respectfully recommend that the resolution of Bro. Roberts, of Division 38, in regard to the publication of a

journal, be printed with the proceedings of this Grand Division with instructions to divisions to consider the matter and instruct their delegates to the sixteenth session of the Grand Division what they desire. Should the resolution be adopted by the sixteenth session, we recommend that the publication of the journal commence January, 1884, and that the Grand Secretary be instructed to prepare any amendments to the Constitution that may be necessary.

H. S. CHAPMAN,
J. R. ROBERTS,
F. W. FLINT,
of the Committee.

We, the minority of your committee, desire to recommend the rejection of the resolution and the adoption of the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That during the ensuing year the Order of Railway Conductors do not recognize any magazine or paper as the official organ of the Order, and that all matter necessary to be communicated to divisions, be communicated by circular from the G. C. C. or G. S. and T.

L. P. MARTIN,
JAS. OGILVIE,
of the Committee.

On motion of Bro. Phipps, report was accepted, and first recommendation concurred in.

Moved by Bro. Herman to concur in the minority report on resolution of Bro. Roberts.

Moved by Bro. Chapman to postpone the consideration of the minority report. Adopted.

Moved by Bro. Phipps to concur in recommendation of the majority.

Moved by Bro. Hoskins to postpone the consideration of the majority report. Lost.

Motion of Bro. Phipps to concur in recommendation was lost.

Reading of minutes omitted. Closed at 1 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 2:30 P. M.

Present—Bros. Wheaton, Fitzgerald, R. E., Daniels, Defries, Dunn, Jennison, Martin, Cole, Stoner, Parker, Sparks, Brown, G. H., Millard, Shipman, Darling, Anderson, I. F., Pierce, Klophele, Crawford, Hoskins, Milliken, Harrington, Horner, Brainerd, Ryan, B. F., Flint, Happ, Galletin, Ogilvie, Randolph, Working, Hunt, Sanders, Hogan, Hammond, German, Phipps, Roberts, Henwood, Mitchell, Stone, Fitzgerald, E., Greer, Mead, Niblock, Anderson, O. F., Nash, Coyne, Boggs, Hobson, Laughlin, Soule, Weed,

Brown, A. G., Johnson, Farnham, Robinson, Marsh, Forker, McCoy, Chapman, Ashton, Ryan, M., Slair, Archer, Carver, Aechternacht, Roseneranz, Stanchfield, Long, J. C. W., Arnum, Shew, Long, M., Davidson.

The following telegram was read :

C. S. Wheaton, Merchants Hotel :

If Mr. Niblock has left there please arrange passage from St. Vincent to Montreal or Boston for Mr. Costigan and the remains of the late R. H. Hopkins. Will arrive in St. Paul to-morrow at 6:30 P. M.

THOS. R. SIMPSON.

On motion of Bro. J. C. W. Long, Bros. J. C. W. Long, Johnson and Defries were appointed a committee to procure transportation for the body of Bro. Hopkins.

Bro. Brainerd brought up the case of Bro. Pennock, of Division 22, who joined that division while suspended from Division 53, and stated that Bro. Pennock had appealed from the decision of Division 53 in order to bring the matter under the jurisdiction of the Grand Division. As no notice of appeal or transcript of the trial had been received, it was ordered, on motion of Bro. Daniels, that the matter be referred to the G. C. C. for his decision, and he was directed to ascertain whether the Secretary of Division 53 had wilfully neglected the matter or not, and if he had, to order Division 53 to prefer charges and try him immediately.

Committee on Badges made the following report :

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers :

Your Committee on Regalias and Badges beg leave to report as follows :

We recommend that no change be made in the regalias already provided for by the Constitution.

We recommend that a small collar be worn by the Grand Officers. Collar to be of white silk ribbon, two and a half inches wide, with the following jewel pendant therefrom : G. C. C., clasped hands with crossed gavels ; A. G. C. C., clasped hands with one gavel ; G. S. and T., clasped hands with pen and key crossed ; G. S. C., clasped hands with crossed staves ; G. J. C., clasped hands with one staff ; G. I. S., clasped hands with crossed swords ; G. O. S. clasped hands with one sword ; Executive Committee, clasped hands with pair of balances ; Insurance Committee, clasped hands. Jewels to be of gold plate.

Your committee recommend that a badge be worn by the permanent members, made of green silk, six inches long and two and one-half inches wide, with a plate on top representing a railway coach, gold fringe two inches deep on bottom and printed thereon "Order of Railway Conductors," a pair of clasped hands and the words "Permanent Member."

Your committee recommend the same style of badge for delegates, the color to be red instead of green, and the word "delegate" with the number of the division thereon.

The collars, jewels and permanent badges to be the property of the Grand Division and kept by the G. S. and T. while the Grand Division is not in session. And it shall be the duty of the G. J. C. to take charge of them and deliver them to the G. S. and T. in good order at the close of the Grand Division. The delegate badges shall be the property of divisions, and each division shall be supplied by the G. S. and T.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JNO. NIBLOCK,
SAM. PHIPPS,
J. C. WEED,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Niblock, report was adopted and recommendations concurred in.

Resolution by Bro. Jennison :

WHEREAS, In view of the fact that so much fault is found with our Ritual ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to meet at some time and place during the coming year and form a new Ritual to be presented to the next Grand Division for their consideration, the Grand Chief Conductor to be chairman of said committee.

Resolution adopted on motion of Bro. Niblock.

Moved by Bro. Davidson to suspend the order of business and elect officers. Adopted, 38 to 34.

Ayes — Fitzgerald, R. E., Defries, Dunn, Ashton, Aeckternacht, Martin, Cole, Parker, Sparks, Brown, G. H., Millard, Anderson, I. F., Pierce, Milliken, Brainerd, Fay, Hogan, Hammond, German, Phipps, Henwood, Mitchell, Greer, Mead, Laughlin, Johnson, McCoy, Weed, Nash, Fitzgerald, E., Brown, A. G., Long, M., Niblock, Shew, Shipman, Working, Davidson, Harrington — 38.

Nays — Daniels, Chapman, Ryan, M., Slair, Archer, Carver, Rosencranz, Long, J. C. W., Jennison, Stoner, Darling, Klophele, Crawford, Hoskins, Horner, Ryan, B. F., Flint, Galletin, Ogilvie, Randolph, Sanders, Roberts, Stone, Anderson, O. F., Coyne, Boggs, Hobson, Soule, Farnham, Marsh, Forker, Arnum, Happ, Hunt — 34.

G. C. C. appointed Bros. Ashton, Davidson and O. F. Anderson, tellers.

C. S. Wheaton was nominated for G. C. C. by Bro. Greer ; 71 votes cast, of which Bro. Wheaton receiving 68, was declared duly elected.

For A. G. C. C., J. A. Mitchell was nominated by Bro. Ogilvie, Levi Greer by Bro. M. Long, S. E. Farnham by Bro. Soule, L. R. Carver by Bro. Millard, S. H. Defries by Bro. Hoskins, J. N. Robinson by Bro. Phipps, James Laughlin by Bro. Martin.

On first ballot 71 votes cast, no majority ; second ballot 69 votes cast, no majority ; third ballot 70 votes cast, no majority ; fourth ballot 69 votes cast, no majority ; fifth ballot 69 votes cast, no majority ; sixth ballot 70 votes cast, of which Bro. Robinson receiving 37, was declared duly elected.

For G. S. and T., Wm. P. Daniels was nominated by Bro. Davidson.

First ballot 69 votes cast, of which Bro. Daniels receiving 66, was declared duly elected.

Minutes read and approved.

Closed at 5:45 P. M.

FOURTH DAY.

DRUID'S HALL, Friday, October 20th.

Grand Division opened at 9:30 A. M.

Present—Bros. Wheaton, Fitzgerald, R. E., Daniels, Defries, Dunn, Jennison, Martin, Stoner, Cole, Parker, Sparks, Brown, G. H., Millard, Shipman, Anderson, I. F., Pierce, Klophele, Crawford, Hoskins, Milliken, Harrington, Horner, Brainerd, Flint, Happ, Galletin, Ogilvie, Randolph, Fay, Working, Hunt, Sanders, Hogan, Hammond, German, Phipps, Roberts, Henwood, Mitchell, Stone, Fitzgerald, E., Greer, Mead, Tucker, Anderson, O. F., Nash, Coyne, Boggs, Hobson, Laughlin, Soule, Weed, Brown, A. G., Johnson, Farnham, Robinson, Forker, McCoy, Chapman, Ryan, M., Ashton, Slair, Archer, Carver, Aechternacht, Rosencranz, Long, J. C. W., Arnum, Shew, Long, M., Davidson.

For G. S. C., S. H. Defries was nominated by Bro. Carver, L. R. Carver by Bro. Horner.

First ballot 72 votes cast, of which Bro. Defries receiving 45, was declared duly elected.

For G. J. C., Levi Greer was nominated by Bro. Davidson, S. E. Farnham by Bro. Daniels.

First ballot 69 votes cast, of which Bro. Greer receiving 45, was declared duly elected.

For G. I. S., George J. Johnson was nominated by Bro. Millard, J. A. Mitchell by Bro. J. C. W. Long, S. E. Farnham by Bro. Chapman, J. C. Weed by Bro. Slair, G. W. Henwood by Bro. Brown.

First ballot, 71 votes cast, no majority; second ballot, 72 votes cast, no majority; third ballot, 70 votes cast, no majority; fourth ballot, 70 votes cast, of which Bro. Johnson receiving 37, was declared duly elected.

For G. O. S., L. Stoner was nominated by Bro. Dunn, J. R. Sparks by Bro. Davidson, L. P. Martin by Bro. Chapman, S. E. Farnham by Bro. Wheaton.

First ballot, 69 votes cast, no majority; second ballot, 70 votes cast, of which Bro. Farnham receiving 40 was declared duly elected.

For Member of Executive Committee, J. S. Randolph was nominated by Bro. Carver, J. A. Mitchell by Bro. Greer, C. R. Ashton by Bro. Horner, L. P. Martin by Bro. Chapman.

First ballot, 72 votes cast, of which Bro. Randolph receiving 57 was declared duly elected.

For Member of Insurance Committee, E. O. Soule was nominated by

Bro. Chapman, Sam. Phipps by Bro. Davidson.

First ballot, 71 votes cast, of which Bro. Soule receiving 49 was declared duly elected.

For place of holding the next session of the Grand Division Kansas City was nominated by Bro. Laughlin and seconded by Bros. Aechternacht and R. E. Fitzgerald, and the following letters read :

STATE OF MISSOURI, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
CITY OF JEFFERSON, Sept. 25th, 1882. }

R. E. Fitzgerald :

MY DEAR SIR— I am informed that you are a member of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors of the United States, and will soon attend the convention to be held at St. Paul. Can't you get the body to meet in Kansas City in 1883? Missouri extends to that intelligent body of gentlemen a warm welcome. Please press the invitation. I want them to see Missouri under the new order of things. Your friend,

THOS. CRITTENDEN,
Governor.

STATE OF MISSOURI, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, }
CITY OF JEFFERSON, Oct. 11th, 1882. }

Richard Fitzgerald, Esq., Conductor Missouri Pacific Railway :

MY DEAR SIR— I am informed that the Order of Railroad Conductors' Association, of which you are a member, will hold its annual meeting in the city of St. Paul, Minn., on the — inst. It affords me pleasure to congratulate you, and through you the Association, upon the popularity which has marked your history since your organization. It is worthy of the gentlemen who honor it by their connection with it, and worthy of all the encouragement the people can bestow. I sincerely trust that your next annual meeting will be held in the State of Missouri. Any city in the State would be proud to entertain you, and the people will welcome you *en masse*. Do what you can to secure the next meeting for us, and we will greatly appreciate not only your efforts in that behalf, but also such a recognition of our State by your Association. I have the honor to be very truly your friend,

ROBERT A. CAMPBELL,
Lieutenant-Governor.

MAYOR'S OFFICE, KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 10, 1882.

To the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors :

GENTLEMEN :— I desire hereby most cordially to endorse the action of our Common Council in extending to your honorable body the welcome of our city on the occasion of your annual convention in 1883. We hope the fitness and desirability of Kansas City will receive the recognition which the fact of its central location geographically as well as its position as the termi-

nal point of a vast railway system entitles it. Assuring you again, gentlemen, of the earnest desire, not only of our municipality, but of all the representatives of our railway and business interests, of the earnestness and sincerity of your welcome should you do us the honor to determine upon this as the place of your next convention, I remain,

Yours truly, T. B. BULLENE,

Mayor.

(Official.)

H. P. LANGWORTHY,

City Clerk.

Denver, Col., was nominated by Bro. Greer.

First ballot, 75 votes cast, of which Kansas City receiving 41, was duly chosen as the place of holding the next regular session of the Grand Division.

Special committee to investigate case of Division 47 vs. 61, presented their report:

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers:

We, your committee, in the matter of the complaint of Division No. 47 against No. 61, relative to the initiation and promotion of one John S. Milan by Division No. 61, find that La Crosse Division, No. 61, proceeded regularly and in accordance with the law of the Order, and were justified in receiving the said Milan as a member. And we, your committee, further find that the proper way for Division No. 47 to proceed is to prefer charges against the said Bro. John S. Milan in Division No. 61 and have the matter settled in legal form, the said John S. Milan having represented to Division No. 61 that he was in active service as a railway conductor at the time he presented his petition.

GEO. J. JOHNSON,

I. F. DAVIDSON,

SAM. PHIPPS,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Coyne, report was accepted.

Special Committee on Invitations reported as follows:

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers:

We, your committee, appointed to make the necessary arrangements for a public installation of officers and issue the invitations, beg leave to report that we have complied with our instructions and that everything is in readiness.

J. A. MITCHELL,

J. N. ROBINSON,

C. A. STANCHFIELD,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Weed, report was accepted.

Special committee to arrange for the transportation of the remains of the late Bro. Hopkins, of Division No. 47, reported as follows:

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers :

Your committee have to report that we visited both express offices, but in the absence of the proper officials we could make no arrangements for free transportation. We then accepted the kind offer of Bro. Johnson, and through him we procured a pass for both the body of our late brother and Mr. Costigan, who accompanied the remains. We ascertained from Mr. Costigan that he was not in need of any funds, but felt thankful to your honorable body for the kindness shown.

Bro. Niblock also requests your committee to convey to the Grand Division the sincere thanks of Winnipeg Division, No. 47, for their prompt action.

SAMUEL H. DEFRIES,
GEO. J. JOHNSON,
J. C. W. LONG,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Forker, report was accepted.

Special committee to report resolutions of regret for the death of Bro. Edward L. Thurber, presented the following :

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers :

We, your committee, respectfully submit the following :

WHEREAS, The Great Grand Chief Conductor of the Universe has, in His All-wise Providence, removed from our midst our esteemed and beloved brother, Edward L. Thurber, since the last session of the Grand Division ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That in the death of Bro. Thurber, this Grand Division has lost a faithful member, our Order a true and devoted brother and worthy co-laborer, always believing that it was better to give than to receive ; and be it further

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with his bereaved family in this their bitter affliction, and we earnestly pray that the God of the widow and the fatherless will be to them a sure refuge in their time of need, and finally prepare us all to meet our well-beloved brother who has gone before.

C. A. STANCHFIELD,
J. C. W. LONG,
GEO. J. JOHNSON,
Committee.

On motion of Bro. Davidson, report was accepted, and ordered that the preamble and resolutions be spread on the minutes and a copy forwarded to Mrs. Thurber.

Report of the special committee to interview Mr. Leflet, presented as follows :

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers :

Your committee have conferred with Mr. W. R. Leflet, editor and publisher of *The Railroader*, and herewith hand you Mr. Leflet's views in relation to the matter :

Col. Geo. J. Johnson, J. C. W. Long and S. Phipps, Committee :

GENTLEMEN :—In reference to the matter of publishing the official journal of your Association, I am very glad to have an opportunity to express to you, and through you to the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors, a few facts which may prove of mutual advantage to the Order and to me.

I shall be glad to place the columns of *THE RAILROADER*, devoted to matter pertaining exclusively to the Order, under the supervision of any person you may name, provided such person shall possess the ability and the experience necessary to so conduct them that the best interests of the Order and *THE RAILROADER* shall be advanced in the greatest possible degree. I will add that I believe your present Grand Chief Conductor to be such a person. I cannot, however, promise under any circumstances, to surrender even in the smallest degree, my control over the editorial columns of *THE RAILROADER* or its general management. While I am earnestly solicitous for the welfare of the Order, believing as I do that it is worthy the active support and sympathy of all good men, and while I shall continue in the future as in the past to zealously labor to advance its best interests, whether *THE RAILROADER* be your official journal or not, I think there is too much generosity in your Association to ask me to pursue a policy which I fear may result disastrously to my own interests. I think it will be admitted the world over that the true measure of the value of a periodical is the extent of its circulation, and the policy pursued in its management is deemed a success or a failure as its circulation is increased or decreased. A little over a year ago the *THE RAILROADER* had less than 1,000 subscribers. To-day, its subscription books -- open to all the world -- will show that it has nearly 10,000 subscribers. Of this number I think your records show that your Grand Secretary has sent me something over 500 at 60 cents each. In the establishment of *THE RAILROADER* upon a successful basis, I have had a long, hard struggle ; I have given two years of the most severe labor of my life to the task. Now (thanks to the noble assistance I have received from my friends in all sections of North America), that my efforts have been crowned with a greater success than in the past I had even anticipated, I trust your generosity will pardon me if I hesitate to change a policy which, at all events, has been fraught with the most happy results for myself.

As I have stated, I have received from your Grand Secretary something over 500 subscribers. You will be told by any competent printer, that the revenue from this source will not more than cover the expense of composition and the white paper on which the matter devoted to your Order is printed, not counting the cost of the papers sent to subscribers. There is

one delegate on the floor of your convention to whose influence the past year I am indebted for over 600 subscribers; and those were received before he became a member of your Order. But I am happy to state that the subscribers your Grand Secretary has sent me do not comprise the full list of the benefits received from your Association. The good will and friendship of your Order, which I think would not have been extended to me if I had not earned it, has counted for much. And I believe on the other hand that I may justly claim that THE RAILROADER has been of some service to the Association. It is a fact, and I believe the testimony of a number of gentlemen on your floor will bear me out in the statement, that most of the new divisions organized the past year have been in localities where THE RAILROADER circulates the most largely, while but few, if any, have been organized in localities where this journal was not known. I have labored very hard and very earnestly to advance the interests of the Order, and that I have in some degree succeeded, I believe all fair minded persons will admit the above facts attest.

I am well aware that in the publication of THE RAILROADER I have not succeeded in pleasing all persons. Indeed I think your good common sense will teach you that the journal which succeeds in pleasing all is not worth the paper it is printed on. Indeed the enemies of a periodical are usually in proportion with the vigor and earnestness it advocates that which it believes to be right. I am free to admit, however, that THE RAILROADER is far from being infallible. A thousand blunders, which human care cannot guard against, creep into its columns. Many objectionable things appear in the correspondence, which, were the editor given time for reflection, would be stricken out. And again, heretofore overwhelmed with a greater volume of business than I could personally attend to, and unable to employ such experienced assistants as I needed, it has often happened that I could not give the attention to the columns of THE RAILROADER I wished. I trust, however, with greater resources in the future, to be able to make very material improvement in this respect. But with reference to the character of the correspondence that appears I will say this: It is written by practical railway men, most of them honored veterans in the service, who generally present their ideas in their own peculiar manner of expression; and this, in my estimation, is one of the greatest attractions of THE RAILROADER with the great class it represents. If there be railroad men who are ashamed of the peculiarities of speech of one of the noblest professions in the world and demand of those who speak for them high-flown language, I trust they are not numbered among the veterans of the Order of Railway Conductors. While some of the correspondence may not be of much value, by far the greater part that appears is of the greatest value. And, taken as a whole, it has been time and again complimented in the highest terms by the leading and most widely known journals of the United States and Canada. While each small item may appear of little consequence, as a whole, however, they carry joy to the hearts of thousands of fond mothers, fathers, brothers, sisters and friends, by giving them a word, brief though it be, of the loved ones they may for years have lost all trace of in

the ever-shifting, changing vicissitudes of a life upon the rail. Many a more pretentious journal would give much for the valuable services of the several hundred unpretending correspondents of **THE RAILROADER**. The only true estimate of the value of matter appearing in a publication is the extent to which it increases its circulation. I hope no word or deed of mine may ever be construed into a repudiation of **THE RAILROADER** correspondents—all practical railway men, many of them veterans in the service—to whom, during the past year, I have been mainly indebted for the addition of nearly 8,600 new names to the subscription rolls of this journal. Some of my friends have made especial efforts to learn from a few persons who seemed dissatisfied with certain correspondence to have them designate the articles to which they objected. I think those pointed out have, in every instance, been written by members of your Order, while in two instances they have been sent me by influential and leading delegates upon your floor. Mark me, gentlemen, I do not allege that these articles contained matter of an unimportant or frivolous nature.

Again, by excluding from **THE RAILROADER** much of the correspondence I receive, you would deprive me in a measure of the power to serve you as well as I do; for instance:

Some eight months ago I received from El Paso, Texas, a communication which came very near going into the waste basket by reason of its frivolity. By some happy fatality, however, it appeared in **THE RAILROADER**. An interest was created at that place, and at the present time nearly all the railway employes of El Paso and the Mexican Central Railway are readers of **THE RAILROADER**. Your Grand Chief Conductor has just informed me that application is made for the organization of a new division at El Paso. It requires no long train of logical reasoning to trace cause and effect in this case.

In reference to the matter of subscribers failing to receive their papers, there are several causes for the evil complained of, and several ways in which it may be lessened. I think the most prolific causes of the trouble is in the post office department, and for this the surest remedy I can suggest is vigorous complaints by subscribers at post offices where papers are delivered, and I am not sure that some slight supervision by conductors over route agents may not result in good.

Another cause for this great annoyance is the failure of agents to send correct, full and legible addresses. A name written in the most scrawling hand is easily read by those perfectly familiar with the bearer, while it is not familiar for strangers to make it out correctly. I think your Grand Secretary will bear me out when I venture to assert that he fails to correctly decipher all the names sent him.

Another prolific source of trouble, I think, may be found in the fact that many subscribers have their papers sent to the care of companies. A careful estimate shows us that about nine of ten complaints we receive come from persons whose papers are so directed, while the complaints are very rare from those who have their papers directed to a post office box or to a

street number. As a rule, we have but little trouble in correcting this evil if the subscriber will send his address plainly written on a postal. I regret, however, that in many instances subscribers fail to notify us of the non-delivery of their papers, and hence it is not possible for us to correct the fault, since we have no knowledge of its existence. In no instance, when so notified, do I fail to extend the date of the subscription, so as to cover all lost time, or return the subscription price of the paper if so desired. I have more to lose by the failure of subscribers to receive their papers than any one else, and I shall be very grateful, indeed, to all who will give me their assistance in effecting the desired reform. I hope soon to be able to place in the office, at a cost of something like \$800: the facilities for printing a mailing list, which will secure greater certainty in the correct delivery of paper; though publishers will tell you that no system ever yet devised is perfect.

I hope by hard, earnest work in behalf of the Order, in the future as in the past, to still merit and still retain the good will of the Association. In its ranks I number hundreds of the best friends I ever had in my life. I will retain your good will and confidence if a life's devotion to the great cause represented by your Association and **THE RAILROADER** shall succeed in doing so.

I came to St. Paul with the consciousness of having earnestly, faithfully and to the best of my ability discharged the trust placed in me by the Order of Railway Conductors at Buffalo one year ago.

I have hesitated at no reasonable expense that might advance the interests of the Order. I have crowded out of the columns of **THE RAILROADER** much valuable matter to give space to other articles referring to your Association. Since I have been here I have been met by the most humiliating complaints, some of which, upon investigation, I think you will admit are most unjust.

While from the seven thousand subscribers to **THE RAILROADER**, who are not members of your Order, who pay me the regular price for the paper and to whom I have extended no special favors, I have received only kind words and a thousand expressions of sympathy and approval, there comes from the source where I most expected to find it no word of commendation.

At the same time I will say: It is my conscientious conviction that **THE RAILROADER** can be of as great or greater service to your Association, not in the capacity of an "official" journal; and I pledge you my sacred honor that I will labor for your welfare just as earnestly. I believe I can be of great service to you and I know you can be of great service to me.

Should you, however, wish to continue **THE RAILROADER** as your official journal, I will endeavor to faithfully perform my part of the contract, but it must be expressly understood that we labor together upon the basis of those who serve a common and a worthy cause. And it must be further understood that members of your Association will each and individually use their best endeavors to extend the circulation and the influence of **THE RAILROADER** in every direction. For, the more you help me the greater will be my power to help you.

Hoping you will credit me with sincerity in the plain words I have here hastily written, I am most truly yours,

WM. M. LEFLET.

We recommend that *The Railroader* be continued as the official paper for the ensuing year.

GEO. J. JOHNSON,

J. C. W. LONG,

SAM. PHIPPS,

Committee.

Minutes read and approved.

Closed at 1 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 2:30 P. M. Roll call omitted.

Moved by Bro. Coyne to accept the report of Railroad Committee.

A long discussion ensuing, the previous question was moved by Bro. Chapman to close the debate.

Previous question ordered and on ballot lost.

Committee to draft resolutions of thanks reported as follows :

ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 20th, 1882.

WHEREAS, The members of the Grand Division and their families have been the recipients of many courtesies and marks of kindness from the several parties mentioned ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this, the fifteenth annual session of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors, be and are hereby tendered to the officers and members of St. Paul and Minneapolis Division, No. 40, for their many kindnesses, their warm expressions of brotherly love and their untiring efforts to make our visit entertaining and instructive.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division are due and are hereby tendered to the officers of the various railroads who have so generously granted the courtesy of free transportation of delegates and their families to and from St. Paul.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division are hereby tendered to His Honor, Edmund Rice, Mayor, and the City Council of St. Paul for their kind manifestations in tendering the hospitalities of their beautiful city and free use of Market Hall for our benefit.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be also tendered to the officers of the Pullman Palace Car Co. and Wagner Sleeping Car Co. for the courtesies extended to ourselves and families.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division be also tendered to His Honor, A. A. Ames, Mayor, City Council and citizens of the city of Minneapolis in tendering an invitation to visit their beautiful city.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division are also tendered the Western Union Telegraph Co. for the free use of their lines during this

session, and also to the express companies of the United States and Canada for the many courtesies extended to the Grand and subordinate divisions of this Order during the past year.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division be extended to the officers of the C., M. & St. P. Railway for the special excursion train from St. Paul to Minneapolis and return. Also that the St. P., M. & M., Northern Pacific, Canadian Pacific and St. Paul & Duluth Railways have our warmest thanks for the grand special excursion furnished us over their respective lines.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division are due and are hereby tendered to the press of the cities of St. Paul and Minneapolis for courtesies extended.

LEVI GREER,
WM. H. HOSKINS,
GEO. J. JOHNSON,
J. C. W. LONG,
O. F. ANDERSON.

On motion of Bro. Ashton, report was adopted.

The Grand Secretary made a statement of the affairs of Chicago Division, No. 1, to the effect that owing to the dereliction of duty of their secretary for the previous year, they had not complied with the law in regard to suspending members who were in arrears for dues, and that in consequence they were charged Grand dues for seventeen members who had paid no dues for two years; that they had lately made a new start, and not being very well situated financially, requested the Grand Division to aid them by remitting the Grand dues for the seventeen members who are now expelled.

On motion of Bro. Greer, the request was granted and the Grand Secretary ordered to give them credit for the amount.

G. C. C. appointed Bros. Sparks and Davidson as ushers to seat those visiting Market Hall to witness the installation of officers, and Bros. Jas. Laughlin and Sam. Phipps as marshals.

The Grand Division then proceeded to Market Hall, where the officers elect were duly installed by Past Grand Chief Conductor C. A. Stanchfield.

After remarks by Messrs. Rice, Mayor of St. Paul; Ames, Mayor of Minneapolis; Baker, Railroad Commissioner of Minnesota, and Bros. Wheaton, Farnham, Daniels and Johnson, the Grand Division returned to Druid's Hall.

A question arising as to whether the action of the Grand Division providing badges for members was amending the Constitution or not, was referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence for their opinion.

Bro. Mitchell offered the following preamble and resolution, and moved their adoption:

WHEREAS, It is the sense of this Grand Division that the Order is under obligations to Bro. Wm. L. Collins, Past Grand Chief Conductor, for long and faithful service in its behalf. **Therefore be it**

Resolved, That Bro. Wm. L. Collins is hereby requested to attend every regular session of the Grand Division as its honored guest, and it is hereby ordered that the Grand Treasurer pay from the funds of the Order the expenses of Bro. Collins and his wife during such attendance, and charge to the expense account, furnishing vouchers for the same.

Unanimously adopted.

The Committee on Jurisprudence presented the following:

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence believe that the action of your Grand Body in providing for badges for its members, does not amend the Constitution, and that consequently the order is now in force; we recommend that the contract heretofore existing between the Order of Railway Conductors and the proprietor of *The Railroader* be annulled, and made void on and after this 20th day of October, 1882. And we further recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Grand Chief Conductor and Grand Secretary and Treasurer have printed, and issue monthly to each division, a circular containing all official acts, orders and advices necessary to the welfare of the Order, and the Grand Secretary shall publish as soon as possible, the name and address of all the Grand Officers, name, number, location, and time and place of meeting of each division, also the name and address of the C. C. and S. and T.

H. S. CHAPMAN,
JAS. OGILVIE,
F. W. FLINT,
L. P. MARTIN,
J. R. ROBERTS,

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Aechternacht, report was accepted, and recommendations concurred in:

Committee on Finance presented the following:

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers:

Your committee wish to recommend the appropriation of a sufficient sum to procure the badges and jewels adopted, and that the Grand Treasurer be directed to procure the same before the next regular session of the Grand Division.

E. O. SOULE,
GEO. W. HENWOOD,
JAS. LAUGHLIN,
W. R. KLOPHEL,
of the Committee.

On motion of Bro. Martin, report was accepted, and recommendations concurred in.

Minutes read and approved.

No further business, the Grand Division was regularly closed, to remain closed until the second Tuesday in October, 1883, at 9:30 A. M., unless specially convened.

CALVIN S. WHEATON,
G. C. C.

WM. P. DANIELS,
G. S. and T.

GRAND OFFICERS.

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Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

GRAND SENIOR CONDUCTOR, SAMUEL H. DEFRIES,

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GRAND JUNIOR CONDUCTOR, LEVI GREER,

Denver, Colorado.

GRAND INSIDE SENTINEL, GEO. J. JOHNSON,

Box 282, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

GRAND OUTSIDE SENTINEL, SPENCER E. FARNHAM,

Prairie Du Chien, Wisconsin.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

	TERM EXPIRES
HARRISON S. CHAPMAN, Chairman, Box 1227, Lockport, N. Y.	October, 1883.
M. RYAN, 128 East 51st Street, N. Y.	October, 1884.
J. S. RANDOLPH, Brockville, Ontario.	October, 1885.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

	TERM EXPIRES
GEORGE W. SLAIR, Elmira, New York.	October, 1883.
E. OLIN SOULE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.	October, 1884.

PAST GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTORS

WM. L. COLLINS,	I. N. HODGES,
JOHN B. MORFORD,	C. A. STANCHFIELD,
JOSEPH H. KIMBALL.	

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

C. S. WHEATON,	J. C. W. LONG,
H. S. CHAPMAN,	L. R. CARVER,
C. R. ASHTON,	I. F. DAVIDSON,
W. J. JACKMAN,	F. C. AECHTERNACHT,
M. LONG,	BEN. ARNUM,
FRANK ROSENCRANZ,	SAM. A. HERMAN,
WM. P. DANIELS,	R. E. FITZGERALD,
HY. SHEW,	WINFIELD S. DUNN.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS
AT THE
SIXTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF KANSAS CITY, MO.,
OCTOBER 16, 1883.

(565)



E. OLIN SOULE.

Insurance Committee.

PROCEEDINGS.

PYTHIAN HALL, KANSAS CITY, MO., Tuesday, Oct. 16th, 1883³

The Grand Division met in regular session, at 9:30 A. M. Grand Chief Conductor Wheaton made the following *pro tem* appointments: Grand Junior Conductor, R. E. Fitzgerald: Grand Inside Sentinel, E. O. Soule: Grand Outside Sentinel, T. W. Tucker. The Grand Division was then regularly opened. Present:

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

NAMES.	No. of Division.	Tuesday.		Wed'day.		Thursday		Friday.		Saturday.	
		A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.
Bayless, T. P.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Miller, A.	2	1	1	1	1	1	3:15	1	1	1	1
Martin, L. P.	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Voorhees, W. H.	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dewey, Geo.	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Parker, A. S.	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Matthews, H. P.	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
May, H. R.	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hurty, H.	9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cummings, G. S.	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
White, A. G.	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Duffy, P. H.	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1
Ingram, W. H.	13	1	1	10:10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Archer, J. H.	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hamilton, J. D.	15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Turnbull, Jno	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Thompson, T. A.	17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Gibson, A. B.	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Milliken, O. F.	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hodges, C. P.	20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Storrs, H. S.	21	1	1	1	1	1	3:15	1	1	1	1
Phelps, G. B.	22	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Flint, F. W.	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gordon, F. J.	24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Clark, O. B.	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ogilvie, Jas.	26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Gove, F. B.	27	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Elliott, J. H.	28	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fay, E. L.	29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Corwin, E. M.	30	1	1	1	3:30	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hunt, F. B.	31	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Crosby, W. H.	32	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
McGee, E. S.	33	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
Park, W. L.	34	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1
German, L.	35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Phipps, Sam.	36	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Given, W. H.	37	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1
Fluck, W. W.	38	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Chase, F. L.	39	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Oliver, J. R.	40	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Stone, E. A.	41	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Grover, L. H.	42	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0	0	0
Rathbun, S. A.	43	0	0	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1
Webster, W.	44	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Durbin, W. J.	45	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Jackson, R.	46	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Anderson, Jas.	47	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	48	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

ROLL OF MEMBERS.—CONTINUED.

NAMES.	No. of Di- vision.	Tuesday.			Wed'day.			Thursday.			Friday.			Saturday.		
		A. M.	P. M.	M.	A. M.	P. M.	M.	A. M.	P. M.	M.	A. M.	P. M.	M.	A. M.	P. M.	M.
Loneragan, J. J.	49	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Smith, A. N.	51	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Hall, W. D.	52	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Boggs, W. M.	53	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Storm, E. P.	54	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Laughlin, Jas.	55	1	1	1	10:10	1	1	3:15	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Fonda, H.	56	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Alvord, J.	57	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Gaylord, A. E.	58	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Weed, J. C.	59	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Brown, A. G.	60	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	
Thomas, E. H.	61	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Gardner, A. H.	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
O'Brien, P.	63	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Whipple, S. H.	64	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Woods, J. N.	65	1	1	1	3:00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Forker, W. E.	66	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Keepers, I. H.	67	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Carpenter, C. A.	68	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Johnstone, J. B. W.	69	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Blue, Geo.	70	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Sitts, F.	71	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Millard, C. A.	72	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Pomeroy, O. N.	73	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Hartman, F. E. C.	74	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Maxwell, J. S.	75	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
White, J. H.	76	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Smullen, J. D.	77	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Hammond, G. R.	78	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Pernar, Wes.	79	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Hemperley, W. S.	80	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Young, S.	81	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Fitzgerald, C. H.	82	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Belknap, E. H.	83	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Fulton, Alex.	84	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Roberts, L. W.	85	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Tucker, T. W.	86	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1		
Donahue, D.	87	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Deroquin, F.	88	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Cook, T. O.	89	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
	90	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Lyon, E.	91	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Sargeant, O. A.	92	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
	93	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Merriam, C. W.	94	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Harvey, C. H.	95	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Wheaton, C. S.	G. C. C.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Robinson, J. N.	A. G. C. C.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Daniels, W. P.	G. S. & T.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Defries, S. A.	G. S. C.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
	G. J. C.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	G. I. S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
	G. O. S.	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Chapman, H. S.	Ex. Com.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0		
Ryan, M.	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Randolph, J. S.	"	1	1	10:15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0		
Soule, E. O.	Ins. Com.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Pattengill, A. A.	"	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0		
Collins, Wm. L.	Per Mem.	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	3:30	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1		
Long, J. C. W.	"	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	3:15	1	0	1	1	1	1		
Carver, L. A.	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Fitzgerald, R. E.	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.		
Rosenkrantz, F.	"	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Aechtcrncht, F. C.	"	1	0	10:15	1	0	1	3:30	0	0	0	0	0	0		
Ashton, C. R.	"	0	1	1	1	1	1	3:15	0	1	1	1	1	1		
Shew, Hy.	"	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1		
Whissen, J. C.	"	0	0	1	1	1	1	3:30	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1		
Arnum, Ben.	"	0	0	0	0	0	0	4:00	1	3:45	0					

The following was entered as a protest against Bro. John Turnbull taking his seat as delegate from London Division, No. 16 :

LONDON, Oct. 11, 1883.

C. S. Wheaton, Esq.:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER - At the election of delegate to attend the Grand Division from No. 16, I was in the chair as Chief Conductor of the division. There were nine other members present. The first ballot cast there was one for Bro. Mielen, four for Bro. Turnbull, and five for me. The second ballot stood five for Bro. Turnbull and five for me. Bro. Turnbull and I voting each time, Bro. Douglas, P. C. C., and Bro. Turnbull both ruling that I had not the casting vote, because I voted before. Not being very well posted, I took their ruling and cast the ballots twice more, with the same result. Bro. Turnbull said he would not give in, and I was going to close the meeting. After some more parleying we cast another ballot and Bro. Turnbull got six votes. I did not think it was a fair election, and Bro. Arnum being an old member, I sent word to him to get your decision. He sent me a card yesterday with Bro. Daniels' ruling, stating that I had the second vote on a tie. I showed it to Bro. Turnbull, and he says Bro. Daniels has no authority to say so, and that he would attend as delegate. I have no particular wish to do so, but I always liked fair play, and I now protest against Bro. Turnbull sitting as delegate for Division 16, as I claim to be the member elected, and will be there, if the Lord spares my health, on Tuesday, the 16th inst., to take my seat as delegate for Division 16, which I claim under Bro. Daniels' ruling to be duly elected for.

Yours, in P. F.,

P. MURRAY, C. C.

On motion of Bro. Smullen, Bro. Turnbull was admitted as delegate from Division No. 16. by the following ballot :

Ayes— Bayless, Miller, Martin, Voorhees, Dewey, Parker, Matthews, May, Hurty, Cummings, White, A. G., Archer, Hamilton, Thompson, Gibson, Milliken, Hodges, Storrs, Phelps, Flint, Gordon, Clark, Gore, Elliott, Corwin, Crosby, McGee, Park, German, Phipps, Given, Flack, Chase, Oliver, Grover, Rathbun, Webster, Durbin, Anderson, Smith, Hall, Storm, Fonda, Gaylord, Weed, Thomas, Gardner, O'Brien, Whipple, Wood, Forker, Carpenter, Blue, Sitts, Millard, Pomeroy, Malwell, Smullen, Hammond, Pernar, Young, Fitzgerald, C. H., Belknap, Roberts, Donohue, Derouin, Cook, Collins, Long, Carver, Fitzgerald, R. E., Soule, Rosencranz, Randolph, Chapman, Ryan, Aechternacht, Daniels, Defries, Robinson — 81.

Nays— Duffy, Ingram, Johnson, Hartman - 4.

Minutes read and approved.

Closed 12:40.

AFTERNOON.

Opened at 2:30.

Present — [See roll, pages 567-568].

The Grand Chief Conductor appointed Standing Committees as follows:

ON GRAND OFFICERS' REPORTS — Bros. Corwin, Keepers, Storm, Derouin and Ingram.

ON DIVISION REPORTS — Bros. Durbin, Cook, Johnson, Duffy and Thompson.

ON FINANCE — Bros. Forker, Cummings, Given, Turnbull and Dewey.

ON JURISPRUDENCE — Bros. Ogilvie, Flint, Martin, Millard and Smith.

ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS — Bros. Storrs, Belknap, Chase, May and Hamilton.

The Grand Chief Conductor then delivered his annual address as follows:

Grand Officers and Brothers:

Once more as the years roll on we are permitted to assemble in Annual Grand Session, and who is there among us that does not return thanks to the Grand Chief Conductor of the Universe for continued health, strength and prosperity? Truly, my brethren, we are favored beyond our highest expectations. A gathering like this of to-day, if but for ordinary purposes, outside of any Order affiliation, could but be productive of good, how much more, then, can we accomplish when we come with the highest incentive that can actuate any movement in this world? And I am sure that if our coming together is an index of your appreciation of the work before us, we must experience *great* results from *this* meeting. I must congratulate you upon the success of the Order during the year, for I cannot help noting the changes that only twelve months have brought in our midst. You will remember one year ago in the beautiful city of St. Paul, although our meeting was a grand one, we did not have the enthusiasm that marks the standing of the Order to-day. Everywhere you go *now* the Order of Railway Conductors is discussed. This is a sure indication that our future will be successful; for when men are interested enough to discuss a question they are in a greater or less degree committed to it, and must sooner or later become interested in it.

There is a fact worthy of mention at this point, that *one* secret of our success is largely due to the harmony and brotherly feeling that pervades the whole body. Truly, brothers, let us encourage this, for it is one of the brightest omens of a brilliant future. Let us make ourselves in fact "our brother's keeper," and in *all things* that pertain to his welfare and that of the Order, "*act together in harmony, in honor preferring one another.*"

One of the most essential duties of members is their prompt attendance upon the division meetings. Too much stress cannot be put upon *this*, a simple act, it might seem to some, but it may be one of great moment. I have known brothers to meet for the last time on earth in division room. I

believe if one among us should have an idea that we could not meet a specified brother again, except on that day, every member would be there. It is a most lamentable fact, that those brothers who are the most negligent of duty while in prosperity are the worst fault finders and the hardest to please, and when needy very difficult to manage.

The education of the division room is a valuable one. It is of such a nature that none of us, however strong, can afford to do without it. The *closer* we live together the *stronger* will be the assistance in days of adversity.

We, as an Order, during the last year, have had experiences that ought to show the value of our Association. Such experiences should cement closer and closer the bonds "*perpetual friendship*," and cause us to labor unceasingly for the advancement and strengthening of our strongest safeguard. We have our own future to make. Shall we allow it to go by default by negligence, after we have built it to its present magnificent proportions? I think not. As our responsibility increases let us strengthen ourselves to bear it manfully and brotherly. How many times during this last year have we been reminded of the need for such an Order? Have we paid due heed to these reminders? Let our future acts and intercourse with brothers, and those even outside of our Order, be of such a nature as to remind them that we feel this responsibility and intend to meet it, and discharge each duty promptly, building day by day a reputation that will in after years sustain and comfort us. This is a great work; it is one in which *all* must engage. The more general the interest the *sooner* will our great anticipation be realized. Work together, my brothers, in harmony, and let it not be said of us that after building such a structure as now stands before us that we, by dissension or want of discretion, allowed it to fall or become impaired. Let us, as an Order, steer clear of the rock that has stranded many and many an older organization. It is the rock that we, as a class, are more liable to strike than any other; it is that of jealousy. Beware of it, my brethren. If in work one brother excels another, he by his work benefits the whole Order, and should receive thanks accordingly. I am sure that if the teachings of this Order of Railway Conductors are respected as they ought to be no jealousy can exist. What if your brother did get a better train than you, is that a reason that he should be condemned? Surely not; but we should feel proud of his ability and preferment. If one should be fortunate enough to raise a division of the Order, are we not all benefited? I honor any one of my brethren whose love for our good Order prompts him to go out and invite his brother conductors to become members with us, and when ready, if the proper officers cannot be on hand, will take hold and initiate them, making them acquainted with the mysteries of our Order, constituting them into another link forming the great chain of divisions reaching now from Atlantic to Pacific, from British America to the Gulf. Truly, we should be men rising above anything like covetousness or petty jealousies. They are beneath us as gentlemen and brothers.

DUTIES OF DELEGATES.

This Grand Division is the law-making power of our Order, and is composed of representatives from each of our subordinate divisions, and when here assembled represent the whole Order; by his speaking, speak his constituents. The laws that are here made are made by the Order, speaking through their mouthpiece, the delegates; and I desire to call the attention of the delegates here assembled to the importance of this work. You are to make such laws as will meet the wishes of your respective divisions, and you are well aware that any law appearing on the statute books that is made to violate, or is openly violated, had better never been made, and if made should at *once* be repealed. By your vote you place in position Grand Officers and install them, duly obligated, to administer the laws that you, "*The Order*," place in their hands. Does the duty of the delegate end here? I think not. He is a member of this Grand Body for the year, and it is his duty to see that his subordinate division pays due regard to all laws that are laid down for his government. It certainly places any Grand Officer in a peculiar position, when the brothers who helped to make a law and instructed him to obey it go and openly violate it, and any Grand Officer who insists upon its observance is usually denounced as being arbitrary and unbrotherly. Speaking to the most intelligent body of men I have ever had the honor to stand before, I desire to ask you to read carefully the laws; if there are any that cannot be enforced, strike them at once from the Statutes and enact such laws, and when they are established by a majority of the members of this Grand body, let us all yield a cheerful compliance, and not return to our divisions and say: "I did not do it, my plan was different; you can do as you please about respecting them," or at least leave that inference with the brothers. During the last year your able and efficient Grand Secretary and myself have tried to have some of your laws respected in full, but it is hard work, simply because of the misunderstandings that come from only a partial report of the delegates. I want to ask all the delegates to prepare themselves with proper note books and keep a record of the particular parts of our work, so that you will have something to aid you in making an intelligent report. During this meeting, if matters arise that you do not understand, make them known at the time and we will endeavor to have them satisfactorily explained. These remarks are made in kindness to all, and not in a spirit of fault finding, but simply to put you on guard so that our Order may receive a lasting benefit by this annual meeting.

INSURANCE.

What shall I say to you in addition to what I have already said during the year on this, which, to me, is the capstone of the whole structure. Why has it not been successful? This answer is plain. Simply because it has only a left-handed support from the brethren, and why, I am unable to answer. Surely it is not the fault of our laws, for they certainly are better

than a majority of our conductors' insurances. So here we stand, face to face with the problem. It is a fact that not having an insurance is a bar to our success as an Order. In almost every case, when approaching conductors in the East, the first inquiry is, "Have you an insurance?" All who join Orders at this day and age of the world are looking after some insurance, and will go where they can find it. Others within our Order say, "We are fully insured." But when we can offer them an insurance cheaper than the one they are in, they will speedily transfer. My brothers, I beg of you, arrange some plan to make it a success; it has literally been forced up to its present standing by hard work, and we can but commend the work done in some of our divisions in this branch of our Order. One division of fifty members has forty-eight members insured. Do you not think that in case of death or disability of any of their members that they can bear the burden of caring for the widow and orphans cheaper than the division which has fifty members and none insured? I think they can, and I believe it economy to belong to our insurance. If any changes are needed in the laws, let them be made at once, and let us return to our homes with a firm resolve that before the convening of our 17th annual session we will see 2,000 members enrolled on the list.

SALARIED OFFICERS.

On October 20th, I was installed your Grand Chief Conductor, and entered upon your service under a contract, that in consideration of the sum of \$2,500.00, I should give my entire time to the service of the Order this coming year, as it was termed by the 15th annual session an experimental year. I will now endeavor to give you, as near as I can, the result of your experiment. On my return East, I entered at once into the work of the Order. I have traveled during the year, 51,400 miles, and have visited during the year, Divisions No. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 76, 77, 78, 80, 82, 83, 88, 92.

Divisions No. 73, 74, 75, 79, 81, 84, 85, 86, 87, 89, 90, were organized by Special Deputies. I being unable to get to them at the time they wanted to organize, being engaged elsewhere in the work of the Order.

No. 73 was organized by Bro. C. P. Hodges, of No. 20; No. 75, by Bro. H. S. Storrs, of No. 21; Nos. 79, 81, 84, 87, 89, were organized by Bro. L. R. Carver, of No. 38; No. 86, by Bro. J. N. Robinson, of No. 46; No. 88, by Bro. John Mallory, of No. 65; Nos. 90 and 93, by Bro. E. O. Soule, of No. 58; No. 91, by Bro. Frank Deitz; No. 76, by Bro. W. H. Fawcett, of No. 69; No. 14, by Bro. George Henwood, of No. 30.

I personally organized Divisions No. 18, 28, 41, 50, 51, 56, 67, 70, 71, 72, 77, 78, 80, 82, 83, 88, 92.

We have, during the year, raised 35 new divisions, bringing into our treasury the sum of \$1,400.00.

In all the divisions I have visited we have had quorums and good meet-

ings, except in Nos. 1, 28, 29 and 64. I, however, met No. 1 in union with No. 41, they not being able to get their hall on the day of meeting. No. 54, had four members out, and I gave them the instruction without opening regularly. No. 29 could not have a meeting, so had to miss them.

We have not lost a division this year. Every division of the Order is now, to the best of my knowledge and belief, working. Truly this is encouraging to us all, and one of the strongest arguments in the favor of the success of our experiment, and in closing this year, my brethren, which has been the busiest of my life, I cannot but thank every brother of our Order for the uniform kindness that has marked his intercourse with me, and I sincerely trust that the friendships during this year will continue to grow brighter and brighter through all time to come.

That I have made mistakes I am sure, but they have been errors of the head, not the heart, and I can assure the brothers that in laying my report before you as the representatives, I feel my weakness to cope with the tremendous responsibilities that now come with the acceptance of the position of your Grand Chief Conductor. Before passing from this I must recur to the record of the last few years, which will find us at St. Louis \$1,500.00 in debt with 875 members. One year placed us out of debt, and we stood with over 1,400 members. Another year, and the record shows 2,000 members and \$1,400.00 in our Grand Treasury, and to-day stand with over 3,200 members and \$2,500.00 in our Grand Treasury, having added 14, 22 and 32 Divisions each year respectively. My brothers, we have great reason to thank God and take courage, and particularly during the last year, when we have paid the salary of a permanent Grand Officer from our funds. Do not think for a moment I take all this credit on myself. Far be it from me to do so. It is the result of an honest, united effort on the part of the whole Order. Let us trust that we can continue to push the work forward with renewed vigor.

The correspondence coming to the office is enormous, and requires a great amount of time to keep it within bounds. It has been somewhat delayed during the year by my absence from home, but I have attended to it as promptly as possible. I have, during the year, received and answered over 1,500 letters.

EXPENSES OF ORGANIZING DIVISIONS.

I have, during this year, paid from my salary to brothers who have attended to the organizing of new divisions-- I being unable to be present at the time on account of the work elsewhere -- the sum of \$51.00. They could not afford to lose so much time as they were obliged to in order to perform the work.

OBITUARY.

While we who are here to-day are in the full enjoyment of health and strength, there are those that one year ago enjoyed our triumphs and consoled with us in our sorrow; they have crossed the dark river, gone to that bourne from whence no traveler returns; "yes, they have passed away from us, they have gone."

“ Out of the shadows of darkness
 Into the sunshine of gladness,
 Into the light of the blest.
 Out of the land very dreary,
 Out of the world of the weary,
 Into the rapture of rest.”

Major Martin Long, a prominent member of this Grand Division, and a worthy member of Cleveland Division, No. 14, died at his residence in Cleveland, on Saturday, July 28th, after a short illness of only one day, and thus passed off the stage of this life one of the most earnest, devoted members of our Order.

William M. Davey, whom many will remember as the representative of Elmira Division, No. 9, at the 14th annual session, held in Buffalo, N. Y., died at his residence in Elmira, on Saturday, August 17th, from the effects of a gun-shot wound accidentally given by his brakeman while on a hunting trip. He only survived a short time. We trust that for him—

“ There was no death. The stars went down
 To raise on some fairer shore,
 And bright in heaven's jeweled crown
 Will shine forevermore.”

James S. Darrow, the respected and worthy Chief Conductor of Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, was killed by a stroke of lightning while in the discharge of his duty at the depot in this city. None knew Bro. Darrow but to love him, and to me his taking away fell very heavily. Right well do I remember when I last saw him, and the long visit we had together; the bright hopes that were then indulged by us both of the future of our Order and the plans for the entertainment of you, my brothers, at this our annual meeting. He has gone from us, but the memory of his many virtues will ever remain engraved with letters of light in the bosom of all who knew him.

Bro. Roadhouse, of Division 17, at Toronto, died at his residence at Toronto, in July last, after a lingering illness. Bro. Roadhouse was one of the warmest supporters of the Order in the Dominion; kind, genial, gentlemanly and brotherly, always endearing himself to all who knew him. In him this Association has lost one of its most able advocates.

Bro. Olmstead, of Division 7, died at his home in Houston, Texas, in July last, from the effects of the amputation of his right leg, which had been crushed by his own train. Although not personally known to me, he is spoken of as having been one of the staunchest members of Division 7.

Bro. F. Linz, a worthy member of Star Division, No. 31, died at his home in Sandusky, in September last, after a long and painful illness. He was respected by all who knew him.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I would respectfully recommend that this Grand Division pass suitable resolutions of respect to the memory of Bro. Martin Long, a prominent member, and Bro. William M. Davey, a former member of this Grand Division.

I would further recommend that this session, by suitable resolution or order, fix some plan whereby the secretaries of subordinate divisions can arrange for the transfer of brothers who are out of a situation or desire a change. This work properly belongs to the sub-divisions. They have the information, and either the Grand Secretary or the G. C. C. have to write them for it after an application has been made; it will save delay, and be just as effectual if conducted in this manner, and I believe will give much better satisfaction than the old way of doing.

I would further recommend, that the Committee on Jurisprudence be requested to draw up a form of instruction, to be printed, and placed in the hands of each division secretary, and that said secretary be directed to read the same to every applicant for division cards, so that all may understand their use and how to use them. I think this is necessary, as the abuse of these cards is bringing us into bad repute among conductors who are not members of our Order. Something must be done to place a stronger safeguard around our privileges.

I would further suggest that this session make some provision for an organ for our Order. We have greatly needed it during this year. When the current newspapers of the day will misrepresent facts regarding conductors, there is great need of something wherein we can speak to the public in self-defense, and educate into the belief that conductors as a class are gentlemen, not thieves and loafers, as many would fain believe. You have but to stop and think and you can recall a number of places where it would have been of great service to us. I do not outline any plan, but I believe the intelligence of this Grand Division will readily prepare and put in motion some system that will add greatly to our success in years to come. All of the older members will remember my antagonism to any project of this kind in days gone by, but constant intercourse with brothers of the Order, and others during the year, has educated me to the belief that the Order demands this arrangement.

I would further suggest that you investigate the propriety of reducing our Grand dues as soon as expedient, in order to make the burden upon the members as light as possible. I certainly think it ought to be reached after this year.

I would further recommend that this Grand Division pass a resolution requesting the local committee, or division, with whom the next session of the Grand Division is held, to discontinue our extended excursion trips. I am compelled to take this ground by the facts that are continually coming to my notice. Pleasure trips are detrimental to us, and although I enjoy them immensely, I believe we ought to forego any pleasure that is detrimental to us. It has become a tax upon the railway companies that will end to our

disadvantage. Would it not be better for us all to stay in one place and there rest, visit and enjoy ourselves?

I would suggest that either your Committee on Jurisprudence, or some committee, be directed to draw up a declaration of the principles of our Order so that they can be adopted by this Grand Session, and copies be placed in the hands of each division secretary so all members can readily read, and, if they desire, have a copy. I have been repeatedly asked during the year for this. I think we ought to arrange for the information of all.

OFFICIAL ACTS.

It was reported currently at St. Paul, at the close of the Grand Session, that Bro. Joseph H. Archer had become implicated in a strike, and thereby had lost a situation. On my return home, by my direction, a charge was preferred and Bro. Archer brought to trial on this charge, which resulted in the acquittal of Bro. Archer, fully exculpating him from any complicity in the matter.

There is a lesson in this, my brothers. You should at least be reasonably sure that there is ground for such rumor before you give tongue to it. Bro. Archer has suffered much, and but for this he would have been a permanent member of this Grand Body.

On or about January 5th, 1883, I received several hints from brothers of our Order in Canada that an organization was being perfected there which they thought would be detrimental to us, and on January 10th I received a copy of laws and circular of the same. Upon mature deliberation I issued circular No. 4, which I am glad to say, together with a personal visit to Canada and St. Thomas (the only point that effected an organization), in company with Bros. Ogilvie and McKay, of No. 27. Turnbull and Robins, of No. 16, and Bro. Hurty, of No. 9, we succeeded in effectually settling the matter as far as our Order was concerned without the loss of a member. Unless further explanation is desired by the Grand Division or brothers, we leave the case as it is.

During the year I have granted 20 dispensations for divisions to initiate candidates who were not now employed as conductors, but had served the required time as such, all of which have been countersigned by the Executive Committee. I have also granted to the divisions dispensations to change time or place of meeting, or both, elect officers, install officers, hold special elections to fill vacancies and propose, elect and confer degrees at one meeting, as follows, in aggregate:

No. 1, 3; No. 2, 4; No. 3, 3; No. 4, 1; No. 5, 2; No. 6, 1; No. 7, 2; No. 8, 4; No. 9, 10; No. 11, 2; No. 12, 2; No. 13, 3; No. 14, 2; No. 15, 1; No. 16, 2; No. 17, 2; No. 18, 0; No. 19, 1; No. 20, 1; No. 21, 2; No. 22, 2; No. 23, 2; No. 24, 1; No. 25, 0; No. 26, 2; No. 27, 2; No. 28, 1; No. 29, 1; No. 30, 1; No. 31, 3; No. 32, 2; No. 33, 2; No. 34, 2; No. 35, 2; No. 36, 3; No. 37, 2; No. 38, 4; No. 39, 2; No. 40, 3; No. 41, 2; No. 42, 1; No. 43, 4; No. 44, 4; No. 45, 2; No. 46, 3; No. 47, 2; No. 48, 2; No. 49, 2; No. 50, 1; No.

51, 3; No. 52, 3; No. 53, 3; No. 54, 1; No. 55, 3; No. 56, 3; No. 57, 2; No. 58, 4; No. 59, 2; No. 60, 2; No. 61, 3; No. 62, 2; No. 63, 1; No. 64, 2; No. 65, 2; No. 66, 2; No. 67, 1; No. 68, 1; No. 69, 2; No. 70, 2; No. 71, 2; No. 73, 2; No. 74, 1; No. 75, 1; No. 76, 1; No. 77, 1; No. 78, 1; No. 79, 1; No. 80, 1; Nos. 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, none; No. 88, 1; Nos. 87, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94 and 95, none; a total of 105 dispensations granted during the year.

Your law says I shall report to you all official acts during this year, and I am sorry to say I cannot comply with the letter, but can with the spirit. This year has been made up of official acts almost from hour to hour. There is one thing that is greatly to be deplored, that of the brothers neglecting to read the laws of the Order, and they find it much easier to sit down and write a long letter asking a question, than to read the answer from print.

NEW DIVISIONS.

Three States Division, 18, located at Cairo, Ill.
 Carver Division, 28, located at Atchison, Kas.
 Stanchfield Division, 41, located at Chicago, Ill.
 Hartford Division, 50, located at Hartford, Conn.
 Royal Division, 51, located at Longview, Tex.
 Z. C. Priest Division, 56, located at Albany, N. Y.
 Johnson Division, 67, located at Dubuque, Ia.
 El Paso Division, 69, located at El Paso, Tex.
 Montezuma Division, 70, located at Las Vegas, N. M.
 Wheaton Division, 71, located at Little Falls, N. Y.
 Greer Division, 72, located at Fargo, Dakota.
 Ashtabula Division, 73, located at Ashtabula, O.
 Henwood Division, 74, located at Decatur, Ill.
 Maxwell Division, 75, located at Crookston, Minn.
 San Antonio Division, 76, located at San Antonio, Tex.
 Palestine Division, 77, located at Palestine, Tex.
 Robinson Division, 78, located at Savanna, Ill.
 Peoria Division, 79, located at Peoria, Ill.
 Harrisburg Division, 80, located at Harrisburg, Pa.
 Friendship Division, 81, located at Beardstown, Ill.
 Durbin Division, 82, located at Madison, Wis.
 Galesburg Division, 83, located at Galesburg, Ill.
 Perry Division, 84, located at Perry, Iowa.
 Aztec Division, 85, located at Williams, Arizona.
 Delta Division, 86, located at Escanaba, Mich.
 Bloomington Division, 87, located at Bloomington, Ill.
 Defries Division, 88, located at Riviere De Loup, P. Q.
 Monon Division, 89, located at Louisville, Ky.
 Waseca Division, 90, located at Waseca, Minn.
 Mount Hood Division, 91, located at The Dalles, Oregon.
 Terre Haute Division, 95, located at Terre Haute, Ind.
 Sioux City Division, 93, located at Sioux City, Minn.

In all, 32 divisions this year. We now stand with 95 in good standing, not a break in our numbers from 1 to 95, something heretofore unknown in our history.

Now, my brethren, in closing this my third annual report, I desire to thank you, one and all, for the kindness to me in an official capacity.

WORK IN PROSPECT.

There are now nearly 50 points where some work has been done, and sooner or later we will have divisions at each point, while I am now corresponding with a large number of conductors and railway officers in regard to our Order that will inure to our good sooner or later.

I have given you my best effort, my work is before you, and you are to be the judges of the success of our venture, which I am sure has surpassed my most sanguine expectations, and I believe we have but to work on harmoniously to accomplish our desired end—the enfranchisement of all good railway conductors.

I herewith return to you the burden you laid upon my shoulders one year ago, asking you in the name of those who have gone before; in the name of the widows and children; in the name of the thousands of conductors who need our help, to let no internal dissension, no discord of any kind, mar the bright page of the proceedings of this meeting. As brothers, let each discharge the duties devolving upon him, so that the benediction of all will rest upon this the 16th annual meeting of our Grand Division, and may God prosper, direct and counsel you in all your doings.

Bill for postage and stationery for last fiscal year, as itemized in the accompanying book, I herewith present. The main cause of its being larger this year, is the fact that I have been compelled to use the telegraph much more than formerly in traveling from place to place, and in answering many questions asked by divisions. I have on hand, left over as purchased in this year, and included in this report, 500 envelopes, half package legal cap paper.

Another element, was the purchase of a new letter-press. The old one was purchased by Bro. Collins and it broke down, and I had to have one, so bought it. The issue of circulars this year has been more than double that of any previous year, and the work done is more than double that of any previous year—as last year letters received only averaged about 30 per month, and this year 84, quite a marked increase. Another element is secretaries and brothers sending messages collect to the office, though not in great numbers, yet it is better to have each division bear its own expense. Without further comment I present the bill.

GRAND DIVISION OF R. C. TO C. S. WHEATON,

DR.

For postage, stationery and expense of office year ending October

20th, 1883. \$226 30

Itemized statement in accompanying book, all of which is respectfully submitted, by

Your Obedient Servant in P. F.,

C. S. WHEATON, G. C. C.

The Grand Secretary then made his annual report, as follows :

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Tuesday, Oct. 16th, 1883.

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers :

At the close of this, the fifteenth year of our existence, we meet after the most prosperous one in our history as an organization—the year that has witnessed the organization of 32 divisions, one-third more than any previous year; the first year during which we have not lost a division, for although but 61 of the 64 divisions reported last year are alive, Divisions 28, 51 and 56 were virtually dead long before the commencement of this year.

Truly, the six men who met in Mendota fifteen years, three months and ten days ago to-day “built better than they knew.”

DELINQUENT REPORTS.

The reports of divisions delinquent last year were received : New York City, No. 54, October 13th, and by order of your honorable body the delegate was admitted to the Grand Division; Ozark, No. 30, October 17th, and delegate admitted; Evergreen, No. 57, January 29th. A warrant was issued by the Grand Chief Conductor for the arrest of the charter of Wheaton, No. 28, before the close of last year, but no report has been received by me from the deputy. Silver State, No. 51, surrendered its charter October 15th, and with it \$10.00 in cash—no other property. A warrant for the arrest of the charter of Pyramid, No. 56, was issued early in the year, but owing to the distance, it being located at Wadsworth, Nevada, and the pressure of more important business, it has not been formally executed.

The following are delinquent for the year ending September 30th, 1883 :

Lackawanna, No. 12, Oct. 19th.
 Cleveland, No. 14, Oct. 16th.
 Ozark, No. 30, Oct. 16th.
 Lone Star, No. 53, received Oct. 15th.
 San Antonio, No. 76, Oct. 19th.
 Delta, No. 86.
 Waseca, No. 90.
 Mt. Hood, No. 91.
 Terre Haute, No. 92.
 Sioux City, No. 93, Oct. 19th.

INSURANCE.

Our Insurance Association is in a much more satisfactory condition than ever before, and benefits have been paid during the year as follows :

To Mrs. Mary A. Covert, January 29th, for Certificate 122..	\$141 00
To Mr. A. Jeffries, March 28th, for Certificate 35.....	157 00
To Mrs. D. S. Olmstead, July 2d, for Certificate 284.....	258 00
To Mrs. Sarah Roadhouse, July 2d, for Certificate 128.....	397 00
To Mrs. Lucy V. Darrow, September 19, for Certificate 18..	345 00
To Mrs. Lulu Bunts, September 19th, for Certificate 275...	390 00
Total.....	<u>\$1,688 00</u>

Of the 53 members who forfeited their membership by non-payment of the assessments for the deaths of Bros. Olmstead and Roadhouse, a few have been re-instated.

It is surprising to me that so many will forfeit their membership after once joining, for although the percentage of forfeitures has decreased in the past four years from about 40 per cent. to 14, it should not be over one-half of 1 per cent. Many complaints have been received by me of the non-receipt of the notices of assessment, but in most cases it has proved to be caused by changing address without notifying me, or not giving correct address in the first place.

The following is a full statement of the Association :

Number of members September 30th, 1882.....	147
Number joined during the year.....	403
Total.....	<u>550</u>

Number of deaths during the year.....	7
Number of forfeitures.....	39
Total.....	<u>46</u>

Number of members September 30th, 1883.....	504
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Bro. Wm. M. Davey, of Division No. 9, holding Certificate No. 42, was shot by accident while hunting and died from the effects. The approved claim was received from the committee September 12th. The benefit is not yet paid, but will be immediately on my return home.

The payment of claims is very much delayed by the neglect of members to pay their assessments promptly within the thirty days. If all would be prompt the money on each assessment would be in my hands within fifteen days from the date of the notice, and every claim could be paid within that time from the date of the approval.

ORDERS OF THE FIFTEENTH SESSION.

Inasmuch as it has been impossible for me to arrange to meet the Grand Chief Conductor, to select (owing to the pressure of business on both), I have been unable to comply with the order to procure regalias. A type-writer was procured with the amount appropriated therefor, and that it has materially aided in the dispatch of your business your Grand Chief Conductor can testify as well as myself. Of the increase in the correspondence I need not here speak, as the items in my expense account for postage and stationery will well illustrate it. I have procured badges for delegates and permanent members as directed, but have not procured the collars for the Grand Officers for the reason that I have been unable to procure the jewels prescribed. I am now in correspondence with a firm in regard to them, and I think matters will be so that my successor can procure them without trouble. As soon as possible after my return home last fall, I corresponded with Bros. Carver and Wheaton relative to the * * * ordered to be furnished to new divisions, which resulted in a contract for their manufacture in Cedar Rapids. Two dozen have been made and delivered to divisions, but I have been unable to get them made fast enough to supply the demand. The * * * was seen and approved by the Grand Chief Conductor before any were delivered.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The supply of Constitutions was entirely exhausted before the close of the year, and I recommend that an edition of not less than 10,000 copies be ordered.

I would recommend that the time of holding the annual sessions be changed as soon as possible to September instead of October. If I mistake not, those who go on the excursion this year will meet some cogent reasons for this change aside from the fact that October is the busiest time of year with a majority of railways, and consequently the most inconvenient time for conductors to leave home.

The following shows the standing of the Order at the close of the year as compared with last :

Number of divisions September 30th, 1882.....	64
Number of divisions organized.....	32
Total.....	96
Charters surrendered.....	1
Charters arrested.....	2
Total.....	3

Number of divisions September 30th, 1883.....	93
Number of reports received October 10th, 1883.....	83
Number of reports delinquent.....	10
Number of members September 30th, 1882.....	2,014
Number of members promoted.....	1,172
Total.....	3,186
Number of members of divisions not reported.....	7250
Number of members deceased.....	31
Number of members suspended and expelled.....	107
Total.....	138
Number of members September 30th, 1883.....	3,298

I have received from Geo. C. Newton the property of old Waterloo Division, No. 47, consisting of a few old regalias, etc., of no value to the Grand Division. The regalias are now being used by Division No. 93, and as many members of old 47 are now members of No. 93, I would suggest that this Grand Division present them to that division.

In closing my report I wish to present for your consideration a few facts relative to the office, from which you can draw your own deductions. I commenced work running my train, after my return from the last session, about the middle of December, as soon as I could get the work of the office in shape to spare any time from it. From that time until the 1st of June my requests for leave of absence were so frequent that it was remarked by the superintendent that "he never knew who was coming when it was my run." Since the 1st of June I have drawn pay for three weeks from the railway company. Had I not been dependent upon the salary I receive as conductor for my daily bread, I would have given more time than I have to the business of the office; as it is, I have been obliged to anticipate a portion of my salary from you to support my family, and I am in your debt \$200. Of the time I have lost from my train, all but twenty-two days has been in your service, and I have given you a full day's labor every Sabbath for four years except when I have been attending Grand Division. That I have neglected attending my own division to do your work the two members from Division 58, who are present, will bear me witness. I have at all times given it the best attention possible, and that I have been tardy in replying to some during the year has been not from neglect, but from an actual want of time. With this much by way of excuse for a portion of my shortcomings during the year, I confidently expect the same leniency of judgment that has been so freely accorded me heretofore.

And now, my brothers, at the end of five years of service, I look back to the time when you first trusted this work in my untried hands, and the feeling of surprise upon hearing the announcement of my election increases every

time I think of it. When the gavel fell at Chicago, October 1st, 1878, there were but three faces in the room that I had ever seen before to my knowledge; pushed to the front as the leader of a forlorn hope in behalf of a brother for whom my sympathies were aroused by a partial knowledge of facts, I found myself in a hopeless minority and the recipient of "hot shot" from every side, and when I heard my name announced as a candidate for the office of Grand Secretary by a thin, dyspeptic little brother from Ohio (he left there before Ohio men were in demand and consequently is not now a government official), I thought it was intended as an ironical compliment upon my debut in the Grand Division as the champion of a "lost cause," and only refrained from formally declining because I thought the declination would seem as ridiculous to others as I myself felt at the time. To tell the truth, I have never been able to decide in my own mind yet, that Bro. Whissen did not intend the nomination as a joke and had it turned upon himself by the result. Undertaking the work then, with a distrust of my ability to perform it satisfactorily, the verdict you pronounced upon it one year later was received by me with no little satisfaction; and let my future connection with the Grand Division be what it may, I shall always look back to those five years with a feeling of pride that I have been worthy the honor, and I esteem it no light honor, to hold so important a position for half a decade. The constantly increasing importance of the office demands upon your part increased care in the selection of a person to fill it, and should your choice fall upon some brother who will manage your affairs with greater ability than I have been able to do, and there are many such among you, I bespeak for him the same kindly, courteous treatment that has been so uniformly extended to me.

Finally let us, one and all, give our thoughtful attention to the business before us, for upon our action during this session may depend the future welfare of our Order. "We are here to work" for its advancement and prosperity; "let us do it" with the caution that should always be used in our daily avocation and the promptness that should characterize a conductor in emergencies, and "thus advance our common cause."

With heartfelt sympathy for the bereaved ones left by our brothers who have been stricken from the roll of membership by the hand of Omnipotence during the year, and the earnest hope that the summons has been for promotion from the toils and dangers of the "rail," I am

Yours sincerely in P. F.,

WM. P. DANIELS.

WM. P. DANIELS, GRAND TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE GRAND
DIVISION OF THE ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS.

1882.			Dr.	Cr.
October 1	To cash on hand.....		\$1498 36	
" 3	" " " Sylvania, No. 23.....		16 00	
" 3	" " " International, No. 48.....		22 85	
" 3	" " " Erie, No. 64.....		18 00	
" 3	" " " Daniels, No. 19.....		3 50	
" 3	" " " Maple City.....		10 00	
" 3	" " " R. Law, No. 35.....		7 00	
" 3	" " " Hannibal, No. 39.....		5 00	
" 3	" " " Arkansas Valley, No. 36.....		30 50	
" 3	" " " cash for two division cards.....		50	
" 7	" " " Garfield, No. 20.....		34 50	
" 7	" " " Baraboo, No. 68.....		19 00	
" 7	" " " Emporia, No. 11.....		29 00	
" 7	" " " Stratford, No. 15.....		1 30	
" 7	" " " Griffin, No. 66.....		19 00	
" 7	" " " Arnum, No. 27.....		12 00	
" 7	" " " Central, No. 43.....		69 25	
" 7	" " " St. Louis, No. 3.....		20 00	
" 7	" " " Toronto, No. 7.....		85 75	
" 7	" " " cash for credentials.....		2 00	
" 9	" " " cash for division cards.....		2 50	
" 9	" " " Buffalo, No. 2.....		50	
" 9	" " " Lone Star, No. 53.....		1 00	
" 9	" " " Boone, No. 34.....		20 00	
" 9	By paid for insurance certificate and 4 copies <i>Railroader</i> for 55.....			4 50
" 9	" " " express charges from Thieman.....			2 55
" 9	" " " telegram to Wheaton.....			75
" 9	" " " telegram to Rosencranz.....			1 00
" 9	" " " telegram to Gordon.....			75
" 9	" " " telegram to Shew & Corwin.....			75
" 9	" " " To Ozark, No. 30.....	8 00		
" 10	" " " cash for 3 division cards.....	75		
" 10	" " " Battle Creek, No. 6.....	26 00		
" 10	" " " Valley City, No. 58.....	13 25		
" 10	" " " Moberly, No. 49.....	40 00		
" 10	" " " Delaware, No. 37.....	21 95		
" 10	" " " Mason City, No. 22.....	35 00		
" 10	" " " Morford, No. 26.....	37 00		
" 10	" " " Creston, No. 21.....	40 00		
" 10	" " " cash for 1 division card.....	20		
" 10	" " " cash for 1 credential.....	1 00		
" 10	" " " Cleveland, No. 14.....	31 00		

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Oct'r	10 To Trenton, No. 42.....	\$30 00	
"	10 " Hannibal, No. 39.....	2 00	
"	10 " Star, No. 31.....	42 05	
"	10 " New York City, No. 54.....	37 25	
"	15 " Buffalo, No. 2.....	25	
"	15 " Erie, No. 64.....	40 00	
"	16 " Buffalo, No. 2.....	90 00	
"	16 " Rochester, No. 8.....	13 25	
"	16 " Lackawanna, No. 12.....	5 00	
"	16 " Union, No. 13.....	74 25	
"	16 " St. P., M. & M., No. 40.....	27 50	
"	16 " Silver State, No. 51.....	10 00	
"	16 " Lone Star, No. 53.....	9 25	
"	18 " 8 division cards.....	2 00	
"	18 " Randolph, No. 29.....	7 00	
"	18 " Queen City, No. 60.....	5 00	
"	20 " Keystone, No. 32.....	16 00	
"	20 " Battle Creek, No. 6.....	2 00	
"	20 " Chicago, No. 1.....	38 00	
Novem.	5 " 14 division cards.....	3 50	
"	5 " Leflet, No. 62.....	4 00	
"	5 " Union, No. 13.....	1 00	
"	5 " Mitchell, No. 47.....	20 00	
"	5 " Denver, No. 44.....	8 00	
"	5 By Order No. 2, Voucher 128.....		\$ 5 50
"	5 " Order No. 4, Voucher 129.....		1000 00
"	5 " type-writer, Voucher 130.....		90 00
"	5 " Order No. 1, Voucher 131.....		600 00
"	5 " Exchange on draft to C. S. W.....		25
"	10 To 4 division cards.....	1 00	
"	15 " 1 division card.....	25	
"	20 " 1 division card.....	25	
"	22 By printing, Voucher 132.....		56 70
"	25 To Thurber, No. 63.....	25	
"	25 " 16 division cards.....	4 00	
"	27 By seal for Division 18, Voucher 134.....		3 00
"	27 " Roundy & Son, Voucher 133.....		21 00
"	30 To 4 division cards.....	1 00	
"	30 " New York City, No. 54.....	50	
Decem.	5 By custom duties, Voucher 135.....		5 00
"	7 To 8 division cards.....	2 00	
"	7 " Southern Tier, No. 10.....	1 00	
"	7 " Denver, No. 44.....	50	
"	7 " Neversink, No. 52.....	2 00	
"	11 " 5 division cards.....	1 25	
"	14 By 250 envelopes.....		75

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1882			
Decem.	14 By 200 3c stamps.....		\$6 00
"	14 " re-cutting 3 seals, Voucher 136.....		6 00
"	15 To 10 division cards.....	\$2 50	
"	18 " Central, No. 43.....	1 00	
"	18 " Griffin, No. 66.....	5 00	
"	18 " Evergreen, No. 57.....	19 00	
"	18 " Des Moines, No. 38.....	50	
"	18 " 4 division cards.....	1 00	
"	25 " 2 division cards.....	50	
"	25 " Hannibal, No. 39.....	25 00	
"	28 " Milwaukee, No. 46.....	59 00	
"	28 " Leflet, No. 62.....	16 00	
"	28 " Sundries.....	2 00	
"	31 " Emporia, No. 11.....	33 00	
"	31 " Maple City, No. 25.....	10 00	
"	31 " Kaw Valley, No. 55.....	60 60	
1883			
Jan.	1 " Clinton, No. 33.....	16 00	
"	1 " Alamo, No. 59.....	31 00	
"	1 " Union, No. 13.....	50	
"	1 " Lone Star, No. 53.....	12 00	
"	1 By 1,000 3c envelopes, Voucher 138.....		32 00
"	8 To 3 division cards.....	75	
"	15 " 7 division cards.....	1 75	
"	15 " Des Moines, No. 38.....	26 00	
"	15 " Griffin, No. 66.....	21 50	
"	15 " Arkansas Valley, No. 36.....	50 00	
"	15 " La Crosse, No. 61.....	37 50	
"	15 " Battle Creek, No. 6.....	26 00	
"	15 " Three States, No. 18.....	1 75	
"	15 " Thurber, No. 63.....	22 00	
"	15 " Garfield, No. 20.....	37 00	
"	15 " Banana, No. 65.....	7 50	
"	15 " Moberly, No. 49.....	19 50	
"	15 " Montezuma, No. 70.....	46 00	
"	15 " Three States, No. 18.....	40 00	
"	15 " El Paso, No. 69.....	40 00	
"	15 " Carver, No. 28.....	40 00	
"	15 " 4 Grand Division Cards.....	4 00	
"	15 By express charges on packages from 38 and 66, 20c each.....		40
"	15 " drayage on Proceedings.....		50
"	20 " Order No. 9, Voucher 137.....		12 00
"	20 " Order No. 10, Voucher 139.....		12 25
"	20 " Order No. 3, Voucher 140.....		24 88
"	20 " Order No. 4, Voucher 141.....		9 00

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Jan.	20	By Order No. 5. Voucher 142.....		\$625 00
"	20	" exchange on 4 drafts.....		40
"	20	To Collins, No. 5.....	\$26 00	
"	20	" R. Law, No. 35.....	9 00	
"	20	" Maple City, No. 25.....	1 00	
"	20	" Neversink, No. 52.....	48 00	
"	20	" Morford, No. 26.....	35 00	
"	20	" Toronto, No. 17.....	83 10	
"	25	" 5 division cards.....	1 25	
"	25	" 2 division cards.....	50	
"	29	" Delaware, No. 37.....	28 00	
"	29	" International, No. 48.....	38 50	
"	29	" Sylvania, No. 23.....	15 50	
"	29	By 200 1c stamps.....		2 00
"	29	" 500 postal cards.....		5 00
"	29	" re-cut 1 seal. Voucher 142.....		2 00
"	29	" telegram to C. S. W.....		
Feb.	1	To 2 division cards.....	50	
"	1	" Banana, No. 65.....	25 00	
"	1	" Evergreen, No. 57.....	3 75	
"	6	By printing, Voucher 144.....		25 50
"	6	" printing, Voucher 145.....		120 00
"	6	" 1 bottle carmine ink.....		30
"	12	To 4 division cards.....	1 00	
"	12	By 1 seal, Voucher 146.....		3 00
"	12	" re-cut 2 seals, Voucher 146.....		4 00
"	12	" 4 lbs. wrapping twine.....		1 50
"	22	" exp. charges on Charters, Voucher 147...		7 95
"	22	To Stratford, No. 15.....	45 00	
"	22	" Rochester, No. 8.....	34 50	
"	22	" La Crosse, No. 61.....	5 00	
"	22	" St. Louis, No. 3.....	85 00	
"	25	" 6 division cards.....	1 50	
March	1	" Elmira, No. 9.....	45 50	
"	1	" Houston, No. 7.....	45 00	
"	1	By Charters, Voucher 148.....		90 50
"	1	" exchange on draft.....		10
"	1	" cartage on Charters.....		50
"	1	To 2 division cards.....	50	
"	5	" 4 division cards.....	1 00	
"	5	" Royal, No. 51.....	40 00	
"	5	By printing, Voucher 149.....		2 60
"	5	" exchange on draft to Bishop.....		10
"	8	To 1 division card.....	35	
"	12	" 7 division cards.....	75	
"	15	" 1 division card.....	25	

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March	18	To 5 division cards.....	\$ 1 25	
"	25	" Southern Tier, No. 10.....	30 00	
"	25	" Banana, No. 65....	2 50	
"	25	" Baraboo, No. 68.....	1 00	
"	25	" Three States, No. 18.....	1 00	
"	25	" Arnum, No. 27.....	35 00	
"	25	" Johnson, No. 67.....	20 00	
"	25	" 12 division cards.....	3 00	
"	25	By 200 3c stamps.....		\$6 00-
"	25	" 1,000 envelopes, Voucher 150.....		2 90
"	25	" exchange on draft to Jones.....		10
April	1	To 5 division cards.....	1 25	
"	1	" Mitchell, No. 47.....	25 00	
"	1	" Kaw Valley, No. 55.....	10 50	
"	1	" Evergreen, No. 57.....	10 00	
"	5	" Marshall, No. 4.....	29 00	
"	9	" 19 division cards.....	4 75	
"	10	" Leflet, No. 62.....	50	
"	10	" Johnson, No. 67.....	20 00	
"	13	" 10 division cards.....	2 50	
"	15	" Montezuma, No. 70.....	6 00	
"	15	" 8 division cards.....	2 00	
"	20	" Garfield, No. 20....	2 75	
"	20	" Mason City, No. 22.....	7 25	
"	20	" Clinton, No. 33.....	1 00	
"	20	" Griffin, No. 66.....	1 00	
"	20	" 7 division cards.....	1 75	
"	20	By printing, Voucher 151.....		36 00
"	20	" 2 seals, Voucher 152.....		6 00
"	20	" printing, Voucher 153.....		10 00
"	20	" Order No. 6, Voucher 154.....		625 00
"	25	To Palestine, No. 77.....	40 00	
"	30	" London, No. 16.....	30 00	
"	30	" Arnum, No. 27.....	6 50	
"	30	" R. Law, No. 35.....	1 00	
"	30	By printing, Voucher 155.....		26 00
"	30	" 500 1c envelopes, Voucher 150.....		6 00
"	30	" letter scales, Voucher 157.....		6 00
May	1	To 5 division cards.....	1 25	
"	5	" 4 division cards.....	1 00	
"	5	" Elmira, No. 9.....	1 50	
"	5	" Queen City, No. 60.....	2 00	
"	10	" Trenton, No. 42.....	4 00	
"	10	" 4 division cards.....	1 00	
"	15	" 1 division card.....	25	
"	15	" Mason City, No. 22.....	5 00	

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May	18	By telegrams to Carver, Martin, Smullen and Wheaton.....		\$2 00
	21	To 4 division cards.....	\$ 1 00	
	21	" St. Louis, No. 3.....	20 00	
	21	" Henwood, No. 74.....	40 00	
	22	" 2 division cards.....	50	
	23	By 2 seals, Voucher 158.....		6 00
	23	" 12 Cars, Voucher 159.....		120 00
	24	To 3 division cards.....	75	
	24	" Three States, No. 18.....	1 00	
	28	" Southern Tier, No. 10.....	2 50	
	28	" 6 division cards.....	1 50	
	30	" Alamo, No. 59.....	1 00	
	30	" Mitchell, No. 47.....	15 00	
	30	" Des Moines, No. 30.....	75	
June	1	" 4 division cards.....	1 00	
	6	" 4 division cards.....	1 00	
	6	" Thurber, No. 63.....	2 75	
	6	" R. Law, No. 36.....	12 00	
	6	" Moberly, No. 39.....	11 50	
	6	" Three States, No. 18.....	12 00	
	6	" Arkansas Valley, No. 36.....	5 00	
	6	" Ashtabula, No. 73.....	40 00	
	6	" Maxwell, No. 74.....	50 00	
	6	" Palestine, No. 77.....	12 00	
	9	" Creston, No. 21.....	2 50	
	12	" 3 division cards.....	2 00	
	12	By insurance certificate for Division 47.....		2 50
	12	" exchange chgs. on 2 packages of money..		35
	12	" telegrams to Wheaton and Pennock.....		1 90
	12	" drayage on 12 cars.....		3 00
	15	To division card.....	25	
	17	" Buffalo, No. 2.....	50	
	17	" Sylvania, No. 23.....	1 00	
	20	" 3 division cards.....	75	
	25	" 7 division cards.....	1 75	
	28	" 2 division cards.....	50	
July	1	" 4 division cards.....	1 00	
	2	" Maple City, No. 2.....	1 00	
	2	" Central, No. 43.....	75 00	
	2	" R. Law, No. 35.....	16 00	
	2	" Chicago, No. 1.....	40 00	
	2	" Evergreen, No. 57.....	17 50	
	2	" Griffin, No. 66.....	5 00	
	2	" Peoria, No. 79.....	20 00	
	5	" 6 division cards.....	1 50	

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1883				
July	5	To Peoria, No. 79.....	\$20 00	
"	5	" Neversink, No. 52.....	12 00	
"	5	By 6 seals, Voucher 162.....		\$18 00
"	5	" 500 postal cards, Voucher 161.....		5 00
"	5	" ink ribbon for type-writer.....		1 00
"	5	" exchange on drafts to Childs and Messrs. Olmstead and Roadhouse.....		50
"	10	To 6 division cards.....	1 50	
"	14	By 2 seals, Voucher 162.....		6 00
"	14	" telegram to Stark, Houston.....		1 25
"	14	To Aztec, No. 85.....	40 00	
"	14	" Friendship, No. 81.....	40 00	
"	14	" Rochester, No. 8.....	50	
"	18	" 9 division cards.....	2 25	
"	20	By Order No. 7, Voucher 163.....		625 00
"	20	To 3 division cards.....	75	
"	20	By 1 insurance certificate, Division 47.....		2 50
"	24	" envelopes, etc., Voucher 164.....		5 05
"	22	To Rochester, No. 8.....	50	
"	22	" Maple City, No. 25.....	10 00	
"	22	" Sylvania, No. 23.....	1 00	
"	22	" Garfield, No. 20.....	4 75	
"	22	" Lackawanna, No. 12.....	2 50	
"	22	" 9 division cards.....	2 25	
"	25	" 1 division card.....	25	
"	25	By printing, Voucher 165.....		22 75
"	28	To Creston, 21.....	40 00	
"	28	" Perry, 84.....	20 00	
"	28	" Des Moines, No. 38.....	25	
"	28	" Kaw Valley, No. 55.....	3 00	
"	28	" Mitchell, No. 47.....	1 00	
"	28	" Queen City, No. 60.....	1 00	
"	30	By irons for 12 cars, Voucher 156.....		74 40
"	30	" 400 3c stamps.....		12 00
"	30	" express charges, package from 21.....		25
"	30	To 10 division cards.....	2 50	
August	1	" 5 division cards.....	1 25	
"	2	" Peoria, No. 79.....	2 00	
"	2	" Greer, No. 72.....	40 00	
"	2	" Leflet, No. 62.....	22 75	
"	4	By 2 seals, Voucher 167.....		6 00
"	5	To 2 division cards.....	50	
"	6	" Royal, No. 51.....	1 25	
"	6	" Montezuma, No. 70.....	17 50	
"	6	" Perry, No. 84.....	20 00	
"	6	" Hannibal, No. 38.....	9 00	

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August	10 To 12 division cards.....	\$3 00	
"	13 " Maple City, No. 25.....	2 00	
"	13 " Baraboo, No. 68.....	25	
"	13 " Creston, No. 21.....	25	
"	14 " Lackawanna, No. 12.....	33 00	
"	14 " Bloomington, No. 87.....	40 00	
"	15 " 22 division cards.....	5 50	
"	17 By 1 seal, Voucher 168.....		\$3 00
"	17 " telegram to Mallory.....		1 00
"	17 To Boone, No. 34.....	9 25	
"	20 " 1 division card.....	25	
"	20 " Marshall, No. 4.....	25	
"	20 " Union, No. 13.....	50	
"	20 " Thurber, No. 63.....	2 25	
"	21 " 7 division cards.....	1 75	
"	25 " 5 division cards.....	1 25	
"	27 By 1 seal, Voucher 169.....		3 00
"	28 To Three States, No. 18.....	2 25	
"	28 " St. Paul and Minn., No. 40.....	157 50	
"	28 " Griffin, No. 66.....	3 80	
"	28 " London, No. 16.....	20 00	
"	28 " Kaw Valley, No. 55.....	4 50	
"	29 By printing, Voucher 270.....		43 25
"	29 " making 12 cars, Voucher 171.....		66 00
"	29 " 2 seals, Voucher 172.....		6 00
"	30 To 7 division cards.....	1 75	
Sept.	1 " 5 division cards.....	1 25	
"	3 " Friendship, No. 81.....	15 00	
"	5 " Kaw Valley, No. 55.....	23 00	
"	5 " Evergreen, No. 57.....	15 00	
"	5 " Waseca, No. 90.....	55 00	
"	5 " Three States, No. 18.....	1 50	
"	5 " Mason City, No. 22.....	16 50	
"	5 " 9 division cards.....	2 25	
"	5 By stamps, etc., Voucher 173.....		13 50
"	5 " drayage on 12 cars.....		3 00
"	8 To 8 division cards.....	2 00	
"	8 " Perry, No. 84.....	15 50	
"	12 " Rochester, No. 8.....	50	
"	12 " 7 division cards.....	1 75	
"	14 " Daniels, No. 19.....	27 25	
"	14 " Aztec, No. 85.....	15 00	
"	15 " Arkansas Valley, No. 36.....	20 00	
"	15 " 18 division cards.....	4 50	
"	17 By 3 seals, Voucher 174.....		9 00
"	17 " 100 3c stamps.....		3 00

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Sept. 17	To Morford, No. 26.....	\$ 1 00	
" 17	" Elmira, No. 9.....	11 00	
" 17	" Moberly, No. 49.....	13 00	
" 17	" Sioux City, No. 93.....	40 00	
" 17	" 3 division cards.....	75	
" 20	By 1 seal, Voucher 175.....		\$3 00
" 20	To 2 division cards.....	50	
" 21	" 16 division cards.....	4 00	
" 21	" Galesburg, No. 83.....	16 25	
" 24	" Central, No. 43.....	1 00	
" 24	" Durbin, No. 82.....	2 00	
" 24	" Royal, No. 51.....	24 25	
" 25	" 11 division cards.....	2 75	
" 25	" 2 honorary credentials.....	2 00	
" 26	" Robinson, No. 78.....	2 00	
" 26	" Peoria, No. 79.....	14 25	
" 26	" Banana, No. 65.....	30 10	
" 26	" Aztec, No. 85.....	9 00	
" 30	" 2 division cards.....	50	
" 30	" 1 honorary credential.....	1 00	
" 30	" Garfield, No. 20.....	5 50	
" 30	" St. Paul and Minn., No. 40.....	1 00	
" 30	" Mason City, No. 22.....	2 50	
" 30	" Valley City, No. 58.....	60 00	
" 30	" Arkansas Valley, No. 36.....	17 00	
" 30	" Chapman, No. 45.....	23 50	
" 30	" Daniels, No. 19.....	1 75	
" 30	" Grand Division Cards during year.....	47 00	
" 30	" 403 insurance certificates.....	201 50	
" 30	By cash on hand.....		1,530 58
		<u>\$6,110 21</u>	<u>\$6,110 21</u>

Report of the Executive Committee by H. S. Chapman, Chairman, as follows:

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the Sixteenth Grand Division, Order of Railway Conductors:

BROTHERS—In submitting our annual report we must first congratulate you upon the remarkable success of our Order during the year just closed, and although no serious troubles have arisen which have required the special convening of the Executive Committee, yet many grave questions have been presented which have been ably decided by our G. C. C. On March 15th your Executive Committee were asked to approve Circular No. 4 of the G. C. C., which we cheerfully did, and in this connection we must add that great credit is due Bro. Wheaton for his prompt and fearless action in this.

matter (Circular No. 4 herewith attached). On May 20th, in accordance with Article 4, Section 1, we appointed Bro. L. R. Carver, of Division 38, to inspect the books of the G. S. and T. (Bro. Carver's report and our circular herewith attached). Under date of August 13th we were notified by the G. S. and T. of a vacancy on the Insurance Committee, caused by the forfeiting of Bro. Slair, he failing to pay his assessments within the time required by the Insurance Laws. (See Article 12, page 493.) Under date of August 22 your Executive Committee filled this vacancy by the appointment of Bro. Samuel Phipps, of Division 37. We have, during the year, approved a number of special dispensations granted by the G. C. C., as provided for under Section 4, page 462, and inasmuch as the G. C. C. has granted these dispensations very judiciously, we have not found it necessary to return any without our approval. We must again congratulate you upon the continued prosperity and healthy growth of our Order, and upon the able and prompt manner with which the G. C. C. and G. S. and T. have performed their various duties. We also have reason to rejoice over the marked gain of membership in our Insurance Association, but we must urge you to greater exertions and to increased activity in this respect. There are none of you but can afford so small an expense, and you should consider that money invested in this way will bring comfort and happiness to many a widow and orphan and cheer many a lonely heart. What you give to your brother's wife and little ones, your brothers may, ere long, give back ten-fold to your lonely wife and orphans. Do not delay longer—give this insurance your support by joining it at once, and then when you return to your homes urge every member of your division to join it also, and ere another Grand Division meets in session we shall have a membership of twenty-five hundred instead of six hundred.

On October 16th we received and accepted the resignation of Bro. Samuel Phipps, a member of the Insurance Committee. On the same date we filled the vacancy on the Insurance Committee by the appointment of Bro. A. A. Pattengil, of Elmira Division, No. 9.

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. CHAPMAN,
Chair. Ex. Com.
M. RYAN,
J. S. RANDOLPH.

Expense account of Executive Committee for year ending September 30th, 1883:

Printing 200 circulars.....	\$3 50
Postage on circulars.....	1 50
Other postage during the year.....	3 60
Total.....	\$8 60

[CIRCULAR NO. 4.]

ELMIRA, N. Y., March 9th, 1883.

To all Brothers of the Order of Railway Conductors :

BROTHERS—Information has reached me that there is being organized in Canada what is known as the "*United Trainmen's Association*," and I learn that some of our members have already enrolled their names among its members. Now let us look over the ground carefully together.

1st. It is known that the Order of Railway Conductors is a non-striking organization, believing that better ends can be obtained by other means; and also that they are the head and front of the railway service, and this makes them a special target for the other branches of the service outside of our railway secret societies; and we must differ with the circular that has been placed in our hands which, after according to the B. of L. E., O. of R. C., B. of L. F. and B. B. U. credit for their work, says that "*the interests of trainmen can be better subserved by one organization.*" Now if the B. of L. E. take charge of and do their legitimate work—as they do—do you think that a promiscuous union could help them any? There being no work for the union to do, certainly they could not be materially benefited. The same is no less true in regard to the B. of L. F., they can and will do their legitimate work; also the B. B. U., and last, and by no means least, our own loved Order. We have our own legitimate work to perform, and I believe first we are in duty bound to try all the remedies found within our own Association before we go into another to accomplish that which I believe can be brought about within our own.

Although well disguised, I recognize the same background to the picture that was presented in the States in 1876-7, and named "*Train Men's Union*," and the call being nearly identical with that. Now let us look back a little and see what experience teaches us. When deemed by its founders that it was sufficiently organized on the trunk lines a demand was made for an increase of pay, and it met a refusal, and a *strike* was ordered. The damage to property and loss of life that followed, are familiar to all. Nearly all the lines in the States were involved, with what result—some lost their lives, others their property, and with one accord lost situations that were their living, and still the railways ran and plenty of men were found to work for the pay given. Now what was gained by this organization? Nothing but the *ruin of its members* left to tell the tale. Now, before leaving this, let us look at the secret societies. When the strike occurred members of the B. of L. E. stood aloof, saying, It is none of our strike: members who did get tainted were promptly expelled. The same is no less true of the Order of Railway Conductors and the other secret societies of the day; all must be bound by the first law. So much for the experience.

2d. We ask you to carefully read the circular, with the passing over the preface, as we have touched on it in the first part. We stop and quote: "*Strikes which are often an ill-advised, seldom successful and always objectionable method of settling disputes.*" Now is this true in the United Trainmen's

Association, and if true how do you propose to regulate your grievances? By forming a large body of men together for the purpose of *scaring* the G. T. R. into a raise of wages and a redress of wrongs! The idea is ridiculous. But if not scared successfully, then we are left to suppose that one of these "seldom successful and always objectionable strikes" will be ordered. Men and brothers, do you propose to lend your reputation that you have labored years to build up to the furtherance of an "*always objectionable*" measure? Stop, in God's name, before it is too late, and consider.

At the bottom of the page I read: "*Corporations have the right to so act, providing always they do not infringe upon the inalienable rights of the individual.*" Then read a little way down from top of page, where it assures the members "*of the sympathy and assistance to this extent, at least, that no member from other roads would seek to replace those defending their rights.*"

What rights are individual within the meaning of this first reading? A railway company employs men and pays them such wages and at such stated times as the rules direct; on entering the service you, by the fact of entering, become, by mutual consent of both parties, an employee of the company. In that act you do not waive the right that all recognize—the right to leave the service when it pleases you, without consulting the other party in the premises. Why not, then, the other party have and exercise the same right; or is this a one-sided affair—you to have your right and no one else theirs? Surely, you do not think this. If you were doing business privately, and employed men, you would not recognize it as a one-sided bargain.

Now, as to the success of the proposed United Trainmen's Union. I see by your law that a man to be eligible must be a man of "good moral character;" and it is indeed commendable, but think you not that a man who is not of good moral character would sooner take your place, if you were on a strike, than one of a good moral character? How many are there in the Dominion to-day who are not eligible under the six months' rule, and morally unfit to join your Association?

These men are under no obligations to you whatever, and many of the latter class antagonistic on account of not being allowed to join, and you can expect no sympathy from them. Suppose there be one-fifth of your employes in this shape (and I think this to be a low estimate), how long would the Grand Trunk Railway stand idle if you all stopped at 12 noon, on April 1st? I leave you to take the facts and answer this question alone with your little families, whom you are in honor bound to protect. But I will add to what I have already said, that I venture the assertion that we have in the States 5,000 railway men of various degrees of experience, and but little conscience, who would respond to the call of the Grand Trunk Railway, and in less than a week the road would run, perhaps not near so successfully as now, but it would be pressed through with the aid of these men in the various lines of the service, both native and foreign.

Now, to all this let me add, that there are many men in the States, and I believe in Canada, that are now out of work, that have families dependent

upon them, that would be glad to get a chance to work for a paltry \$2.00 per day.

Brothers of the Order of Railway Conductors, I ask you in the name of your honor as men and brethren ; in the name of your wives and children, to consider this matter well ; do not let any one make a tool of you, as is apparent now from what I have before me. I am sure Mr. P. M. Arthur will not allow his men to take part in any organized effort of this kind. I believe the organization of B. of L. E. is sufficient to remedy all the evils of the engineers ; I believe the B. of L. E. also able and willing to do the same ; and as for the Order of Railway Conductors, I believe, also, we can accomplish the desired result, and I am ready to do anything I can to help. Should the members of the Order desire, will try and arrange these matters, if possible, and I am sure the Order is entitled to that consideration before you go into any other. I believe I speak the language of the whole Order when I say that our affiliation thus far has been pleasant and profitable to both parties, and it is my earnest wish that it ever remain so ; but let us show to the world that we are gentlemen, and will not permit ourselves to be compromised in any particular by others. If others have grievances, let them settle them ; let us take care of our own.

In conclusion, let me say, that we, as an Order, are uncompromisingly opposed to strikes or coercive measures, and any one of our members who forgets himself and engages himself therein, or compromises the dignity of the Order, must not be retained among its members. I believe we are right, and shall be obliged to insist that we should be fairly tried and all our influence used before our members resort to other measures. I have written this in all candor and with brotherly love for all, and I believe with the best interests of not only the Order as a whole but each individual member.

Weigh well the cost of your experiment before you enter it, as its end is sure disaster.

Yours Truly in P. F.,

C. S. WHEATON, G. C. C.

LOCKPORT, N. Y., June 12th, 1883.

To the C. C., Secretary and Brothers of Div. — :

In accordance with Article 4, Section 1, of the Constitution, your Executive Committee appointed our worthy brother, L. R. Carver, of Division 34, to make the annual inspection of the books and records of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, and we hand you herewith the following statement :

Cash on hand October 1st, 1882.....	\$1,498 36
Total receipts to May 30th, 1883.....	2,896 95
Total.....	\$4,395 31
Paid out to May 30th, 1883.....	3,640 43
Balance on hand May 30th, 1883.....	\$ 654 88

The salary of the G. C. C., amounting to \$1,540.05, has been paid in full to June 1, 1883, leaving a balance of only \$960.00 to complete the salary for the full year. Grand Dues due the Grand Division on January 1st, 1883, \$2,586.50; of this sum only \$989.10 has been paid, as follows: Division No. 3, \$85.40; No. 4, \$39.00; No. 5, \$26.00; No. 6, \$26.00; No. 7, \$45.00; No. 8, \$34.00; No. 9, \$45.00; No. 10, \$30.00; No. 15, \$45.00; No. 16, \$30.00; No. 17, \$83.10; No. 20, \$37.00; No. 23, \$15.00; No. 26, \$35.00; No. 27, \$35.00; No. 33, \$16.00; No. 36, \$50.00; No. 37, \$28.00; No. 38, \$26.00; No. 47, \$25.00; No. 48, \$33.00; No. 52, \$48.00; No. 59, \$31.00; No. 61, \$37.50; No. 63, \$22.00; No. 65, \$25.00; No. 66, \$21.50; No. 67, \$20; making a total of \$989.10, leaving a balance unpaid of \$1,597.40.

It will be seen that only about one-third of the divisions have complied with the requirements of the Constitution and paid their dues, and we urge upon all Chief Conductors and Secretaries the necessity of prompt payment of the amounts due from your respective divisions, namely: *One dollar from every member reported in good standing on your last annual report.* Please act promptly in this matter, that we may go to the Grand Division in October with every division "square on the books."

It will be seen by this report that the experiment of a paid Executive has proved most successful, and has exceeded our most sanguine expectations. About fifteen new divisions have been organized during the year, with several more about ready.

There were, June 1st, 370 members in our Insurance Association, with \$740 on deposit to meet losses; and let us, at this time, urge upon every member of the Order to give this branch their individual support. No better or cheaper insurance association exists, simply because there are no paid officers, the business being transacted by the G. C. C., G. S. and T. and Grand Insurance Committee, who receive no compensation for their services. Our Order has 74 working divisions, and our prospects were never so promising as now. We are on the right track, and with energy, courage and perseverance we shall place our Order in a position to command the respect and admiration of all classes of railroad men.

Yours Truly in P. F.,

H. S. CHAPMAN,
M. RYAN,
J. S. RANDOLPH.

Ex. Com.

Report of Insurance Committee, by Bro. Soule, as follows:

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 16th, 1884.

To the Officers and Members of the 16th Annual Grand Session of the Order of Railway Conductors:

We, your Insurance Committee, beg leave to offer you the following report:

It has been our painful duty to have received during the year 7 death claims, to-wit: Of Bro. C. H. Covert, a member of New York City Division, No. 54, who died of constipation of the bowels, August 18th, 1882; Bro. Ruben Jeffries, Lone Star, 55, who died of erysipelas, November 23d, 1882; Bro. D. S. Olmstead, of Houston Division, No. 7, who died April 4th, 1883, the result of an injury received February 22d, 1882; Bro. H. Roadhouse, a member of Toronto Division, No. 17, who died June 4th, 1883, after suffering from hemorrhage over three months; Bro. Jas. M. Darrow, a member of Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, who was killed by lightning, June 16th, 1883, while discharging his duties as yard master; Bro. Charles Bunts, of Arkansas Valley Division, No. 36, who died of small pox, at Durango, California, July 11th, 1883; Bro. W. Davey, a member of Division No. 9, who died from the effects of a gunshot wound, August 19th, 1883. All of which have been examined, approved and payment ordered.

C. S. WHEATON,

E. O. SOULE,

A. A. PATTENGILL,

Ins. Com.

Under call of divisions, Resolutions Nos. 1 to 12 inclusive, were offered and referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

On motion of Bro. Carver, order of business suspended for action on Resolution No. 22, by Bro. Carver; to adopt, by same.

On motion of Bro. Chapman, consideration of motion to adopt Resolution No. 22 indefinitely postponed by the following ballot:

Ayes—Bayless, Martin, Parker, May, Cummings, White, A. G., Duffy, Archer, Hamilton, Turnbull, Thompson, Gibson, Milliken, Phelps, Gordon, Clark, Ogilvie, Fay, Corwin, McGee, Park, German, Phipps, Flack, Chase, Grover, Rathbun, Webster, Durbin, Anderson, Smith, Hall, Boggs, Storm, Laughlin, Fonda, Gaylord, Weed, Brown, Thomas, Gardner, O'Brien, Whipple, Wood, Carpenter, Johnson, Blue, Sitts, Millard, Pomeroy, Hartman, Maxwell, White, J. H., Smullen, Young, Fitzgerald, C. H., Soule, Roseneranz, Randolph, Chapman, Aechternacht, Robinson, Ashton—71.

Nays—Miller, Voorhees, Dewey, Matthews, Hurty, Ingram, Hodges, Flint, Gove, Elliott, Hunt, Crosby, Given, Oliver, Lonergan, Alvord, Forker, Keepers, Hammond, Permar, Belknap, Fulton, Roberts, Donohue, Cook, Carver, Daniels, Defries—29.

Bro. Long excused from voting.

Resolutions No. 23 and 24 offered and referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

Unfinished business.

Report of Collins Division, No. 5, on petition of Stephen L. Cole, for re-instatement:

HALL OF COLLINS DIVISION, No. 5, O. OF R. C.,)
BALTIMORE, MD., July 16th, 1883. }

Grand Division Order of Railway Conductors:

BROTHERS—Collins Division, No. 5, has made due investigation into the matter of the petition of Stephen L. Cole for re-instatement, and referred by your Grand Body to this division, and find that the said Stephen L. Cole was expelled from Monumental Division, No. 15, September 1st, 1879, for using money belonging to that division while he was acting as its treasurer, and we believe that this was one of the principal causes of the failure of No. 15. We also believe that this petition was sent direct to your Grand Body instead of to Division No. 5, where it properly belonged, because the said Stephen L. Cole was aware that it would be refused by this division. We therefore recommend that the petition be denied.

GEORGE DEWEY.

Secretary.

SIMON LICK.

Chief Conductor.

On motion of Daniels, report of Division No. 5 concurred in.

Minutes read and approved.

Closed at 6 P. M.

MORNING.

WEDNESDAY, Oct. 17th.

Grand Division opened at 9:30 A. M.

Present—[See roll, pages 567-568.]

Question on final adoption of the following amendment to Article 3, of the Constitution:

Be it Enacted, that Article 3, of the Constitution, be amended by inserting the following:

ELECTION AND COMPENSATION OF GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR.

The Grand Chief Conductor shall be elected for a term of three years, provided the first term shall expire in October, A. D. 1886. And the election shall occur at the regular election of officers in every third year. He shall receive for his services the sum of two thousand five hundred dollars (\$2,500) per annum, payable monthly, and the necessary office expenses incurred by him shall be paid by the Order, provided no appropriation shall be made for their payment until the accounts have been passed upon by the Committee on Finance. This Section shall take effect and be in full force, and any Section or part of Section of the Constitution or Statutes conflicting herewith shall be repealed on and after its final passage.

On motion of Martin, previous question ordered on the adoption of the amendment.

Amendment adopted by the following ballot:

Ayes—Bayless, Miller, Martin, Voorhees, Dewey, Parker, Matthews, May, Hurty, White, A. G., Duffy, Ingram, Archer, Hamilton, Turnbull, Gibson, Milliken, Hodges, Storrs, Phelps, Jackson, Flint, Gordon, Clark, Ogilvie, Gove, Elliott, Fay, Corwin, Hunt, Crosby, McGee, Park, German, Phipps, Given, Flack, Chase, Oliver, Stone, Grover, Rathbun, Webster, Durbin, Pattengill, Anderson, Lonergan, Smith, Boggs, Storm, Laughlin, Alvord, Gaylord, Weed, Brown, O'Brien, Whipple, Wood, Forker, Keepers, Carpenter, Johnstone, Blue, Sitts, Millard, Pomeroy, Hartman, Maxwell, White, J. H., Smullen, Hammond, Permar, Hemperley, Young, Fitzgerald, C. H., Belknap, Fulton, Roberts, Tucker, Donohue, Derouin, Cook, Shew, Lyon, Sargent, Merriam, Harvey, Collins, Long, Carver, Fitzgerald, R. E., Soule, Rosencranz, Randolph, Chapman, Ryan, Aechternacht, Daniels, Robinson, Ashton — 100.

Nays—Cummings, Thompson, Hall, Fonda, Whissen, Defries — 6.

Two-thirds of the members present having voted in favor thereof, the Grand Chief Conductor declared the amendment finally adopted and in force.

On final adoption of amendment to Article 3, of the Constitution, as follows:

Be it Enacted, that Article 3, of the Constitution, be amended by inserting the following:

ELECTION AND COMPENSATION OF GRAND SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

The Grand Secretary and Treasurer shall be elected for a term of three years, provided the first term shall expire in October, A. D. 1884, and the election shall occur at the regular election of officers in every third year thereafter. He shall receive for his services the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) per annum, and the necessary expenses incurred by him shall be paid by the Order, provided no appropriation shall be made for their payment, until the accounts have been passed upon by the Committee on Finance. This Section shall take effect and be in full force, and any Section or part of Section of the Constitution or Statutes conflicting herewith shall be repealed, on and after its final passage.

Moved by Phipps, that eight hundred be stricken out and one thousand inserted. By Anderson, that one thousand five hundred be inserted. By Chase, that two thousand be inserted. By Defries, that two thousand five hundred be inserted.

Question on insertion of two thousand five hundred, lost.

Question on insertion of two thousand, lost by the following ballot:

Ayes—Bayless, Miller, Hurty, Cummings, White, A. G., Storrs, Phelps, Jackson, Gove, Crosby, McGee, Phipps, Chase, Oliver, Durbin, Boggs, Alvord, Gaylord, Thomas, Gardner, O'Brien, Whipple, Wood, Carpenter, Maxwell, White, J. H., Smullen, Hammond, Fitzgerald, C. H., Belknap, Fulton, Derouin, Cook, Lyon, Merriam, Harvey, Collins, Daniels, Defries, Robinson — 40.

Nays—Martin, Voorhees, Dewey, Parker, Matthews, May, Duffy, Ingram, Archer, Hamilton, Turnbull, Thompson, Gibson, Milliken, Hodges, Flint, Gordon, Clark, Ogilvie, Elliott, Fay, Corwin, Hunt, Park, German, Given, Flack, Stone, Grover, Rathbun, Webster, Pattengill, Anderson, Lonergan, Smith, Hall, Storm, Laughlin, Fonda, Weed, Brown, Forker, Keepers, Johnstone, Blue, Sitts, Millard, Pomeroy, Hartman, Permar, Hemperley, Young, Roberts, Donohue, Shew, Sargeant, Whissen, Long, Carver, Fitzgerald, R. E., Soule, Rosencranz, Randolph, Chapman, Ryan, Ashton—66.

Question on insertion of one thousand five hundred, adopted.

Question on final adoption of amendment, as follows:

Ayes—Bayless, Miller, Martin, Voorhees, Dewey, Parker, Matthews, May, Hurty, Cummings, White, A. G., Duffy, Ingram, Archer, Hamilton, Turnbull, Thompson, Gibson, Milliken, Hodges, Phelps, Flint, Gordon, Clark, Ogilvie, Gove, Elliott, Fay, Hunt, Crosby, McGee, Park, German, Phipps, Given, Flack, Chase, Oliver, Stone, Grover, Rathbun, Webster, Durbin, Pattengill, Anderson, Lonergan, Smith, Hall, Boggs, Storm, Laughlin, Fonda, Alvord, Gaylord, Weed, Brown, Thomas, Gardner, O'Brien, Whipple, Wood, Forker, Keepers, Carpenter, Johnstone, Blue, Sitts, Millard, Pomeroy, Maxwell, White, J. H., Hammond, Permar, Hemperley, Young, Fitzgerald, C. H., Belknap, Fulton, Roberts, Tucker, Donohue, Cook, Shew, Lyon, Sargeant, Merriam, Harvey, Collins, Long, Carver, Fitzgerald, R. E., Soule, Rosencranz, Randolph, Chapman, Ryan, Aechternacht, Defries, Robinson, Ashton—101.

Nays—Storrs, Jackson, Corwin, Hartman, Smullen, Whissen, Daniels—7.

Two-thirds of the members present having voted in favor thereof, the Grand Chief Conductor declared the amendment finally adopted and in force.

On final adoption of amendment to Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, be amended by striking out all after the word "such," and adding "provided, however, that any person who has had five years experience as a conductor on a surface railway, and is at the time of making application, in active service on a surface railway, shall be eligible to membership." This amendment shall take effect and be in full force, and any Section or part of Section of the Constitution or Statutes conflicting herewith shall be repealed on and after its final passage.

Ayes—Bayless, Miller, Martin, Voorhees, Dewey, Parker, Matthews, May, Hurty, Cummings, White, A. G., Duffy, Ingram, Archer, Hamilton, Turnbull, Thompson, Gibson, Milliken, Hodges, Storrs, Phelps, Jackson, Flint, Gordon, Clark, Ogilvie, Elliott, Fay, Hunt, Crosby, McGee, Park, German, Phipps, Given, Flack, Chase, Oliver, Stone, Grover, Rathbun, Durbin, Pattengill, Anderson, Lonergan, Smith, Hall, Boggs, Storm, Laughlin.

Fonda, Alvord, Gaylord, Weed, Brown, Gardner, O'Brien, Whipple, Wood, Forker, Keepers, Carpenter, Blue, Sitts, Millard, Pomeroy, Hartman, Maxwell, White, J. H., Smullen, Hammond, Permar, Young, Belknap, Fulton, Roberts, Donohue, Derouin, Cook, Shew, Lyon, Whissen, Merriam, Harvey, Collins, Long, Carver, Fitzgerald, R. E., Soule, Rosencranz, Randolph, Chapman, Ryan, Aechternacht, Daniels, Defries, Robinson, Ashton — 99.

Nays—Corwin, Webster, Thomas, Johnstone, Hemperley, Sargeant — 6.

Two-thirds of the members present having voted in favor thereof, the Grand Chief Conductor declared the amendment finally adopted and in full force.

Motion by Daniels, that Rule 4 be suspended for the day. Lost.

Minutes read and approved. Closed 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Opened at 2:30. Present, [see roll, pages 567-568].

On final adoption of amendment to Section 1, Article 9, of the Constitution, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That the words "except when organized" be stricken out of the sixth paragraph of Section 1, Article 9, of the Constitution. This amendment to take effect and be in full force on and after November 1st, 1883.

Ayes—Bayless, Miller, Martin, Voorhees, Dewey, Parker, Matthews, May, Hurty, Cummings, White, A. G., Duffy, Ingram, Archer, Hamilton, Turnbull, Thompson, Gibson, Milliken, Hodges, Storrs, Phelps, Jackson, Flint, Gordon, Clark, Ogilvie, Gove, Elliott, Corwin, Hunt, Crosby, McGee, Park, German, Phipps, Given, Flack, Chase, Oliver, Stone, Grover, Rathbun, Webster, Durbin, Pattengill, Anderson, Lonergan, Smith, Hall, Boggs, Storm, Laughlin, Fonda, Alvord, Weed, Thomas, Gardner, O'Brien, Whipple, Forker, Keepers, Carpenter, Johnstone, Sitts, Millard, Pomeroy, Hartman, Maxwell, White, J. H., Smullen, Hammond, Permar, Hemperley, Young, Fitzgerald, R. E., Belknap, Fulton, Roberts, Donohue, Derouin, Cook, Shew, Lyon, Sargeant, Whissen, Merriam, Harvey, Carver, Fitzgerald, C. H., Soule, Rosencranz, Randolph, Chapman, Ryan, Aechternacht, Daniels, Defries, Robinson, Ashton — 100.

Nays—Brown—1.

Two-thirds of the members present having voted in favor thereof, the Grand Chief Conductor declared the amendment finally adopted, to take effect November 1st, 1883.

On final adoption of amendment to Section 3, Article 1, of the Statutes, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That Section 3, Article 1, of the Statutes, be amended by inserting after the word "divisions" the words "and delegate to Grand Division." This amendment to take effect and be in force on and after its final passage.

Ayes—Bayless, Miller, Martin, Voorhees, Dewey, Parker, Matthews, May, Hurty, Cummings, White, A. G., Duffy, Ingram, Archer, Hamilton, Turnbull, Thompson, Gibson, Milliken, Hodges, Storrs, Phelps, Jackson, Flint, Gordon, Clark, Ogilvie, Gove, Elliott, Corwin, Hunt, Crosby, McGee, Park, German, Phipps, Given, Flack, Chase, Oliver, Stone, Grover, Rathbun, Webster, Durbin, Pattengill, Anderson, Lonergan, Smith, Hall, Boggs, Storm, Laughlin, Fonda, Alvord, Weed, Brown, Thomas, Gardner, O'Brien, Whipple, Forker, Keepers, Carpenter, Johnstone, Sitts, Millard, Pomeroy, Hartman, Maxwell, White, J. H., Smullen, Hammond, Permar, Hemperley, Young, Fitzgerald, C. H., Belknap, Fulton, Roberts, Donohue, Derouin, Cook, Shew, Lyon, Sargeant, Whissen, Merriam, Harvey, Carver, Fitzgerald, R. E., Soule, Rosencranz, Chapman, Ryan, Aechternacht, Daniels, Defries, Robinson, Ashton — 101.

Nays—0.

Two-thirds of the members present having voted in favor thereof, the Grand Chief Conductor declared the amendment finally adopted and in force.

On motion of Duffy, Lyon excused from farther attendance, and E. P. Sullivan admitted as proxy for him.

By Bro. Carver:

WHEREAS, The Order of Railway Conductors, having become one of the most influential of the many organizations of railway employes, it is the opinion of the members of this Grand Body that the time has arrived when the establishment of a journal has become a necessity, and,

WHEREAS, We believe that profiting by the experience of the past, such an effort can now be made a complete success, therefore, be it

Ordered, That a monthly journal or magazine, of not less than --- pages of reading matter, be published, commencing with January, 1884, the title of which shall be "*The Railway Conductors' Monthly*."

The Grand Chief Conductor shall be the editor with full charge of its columns, superintend its issue, keep a correct list of its subscribers, and issue as nearly as possible, on the first day of each month. He shall be held responsible for the moral tone of the *Monthly*, and shall use his best endeavor to raise it to the highest plane of usefulness.

The subscription price shall be \$1.50 per annum, for each single subscription; 10 or more, \$1.25 each; and 25 or more, \$1.00 each, invariably in advance.

Advertisements may be published at such rates as may be determined upon by the managers, and space may be provided for and advertisements

inserted for railways in return for courtesies extended, at the discretion of the manager.

The editor shall keep a true record of all space and advertisements, and shall report at each annual session of the Grand Division the amount of moneys received for its use. He shall be allowed 100 copies for exchange with other papers and periodicals, to be used by him as his judgment may direct for the best interest of the Order.

There shall be four associate editors, and at each annual session of the Grand Division the editor shall appoint two brothers, who with the Assistant Grand Chief Conductor and the Grand Secretary and Treasurer shall act as such associate editors, without salary. The duty of the associate editors shall be to outline the general course of the *Monthly*, and on points of doubt they shall counsel with and assist the editor. The appointees may or may not be members of the Grand Division at the time of their appointment, and they shall be entitled to membership by virtue of such appointment.

The editor shall have full power to contract for the printing of the *Monthly*, the contract to be let to the lowest responsible bidder, provided the editor shall not be required to change his place of residence, unless deemed feasible by him to do so.

The Grand Secretary and Treasurer shall be the business manager, to whom all subscriptions shall be sent. He shall receive all money for subscriptions or advertising, pay all orders drawn by the editor, provided he may protest against the payment of any order, and such protest shall be referred to the Executive Committee, with all papers and facts relating thereto. He shall be held under his bond as Treasurer for the faithful discharge of his duties, and he shall make a full report of all matters concerning the *Monthly* at every regular session of the Grand Division.

The business manager may, with the consent of the editor, receive advertisements from responsible parties on 60 or 90 days credit, and shall not be held responsible for losses incurred thereby, but should he receive any advertisement on credit against the advice or protest of the editor, he shall be held personally responsible for the full amount. He shall pay no order except by order of the Grand Chief Conductor, and in each case directly to the party in whose favor the order is drawn. All matters of disagreement between the manager and editor shall be referred to the Executive Committee.

Each division shall elect one member whose duty it shall be to act as correspondent of the *Monthly* sending all matters of interest to the Order that may come to his notice, to the *Monthly* at least once a month.

The Secretary of each division shall be the authorized agent of the *Monthly*. He shall receive all subscriptions and forward the same to the business manager, with the required amount for the subscriptions, under the seal of the division, and shall receive a receipt for the same from the manager.

It is not to be understood that any brother is debarred from corresponding for the *Monthly* or receiving subscriptions for it. It is the duty of all to aid to the utmost the growth and prosperity of the *Monthly*, as well as of the Order.

On motion of Carver, adopted:

Ayes—Miller, Martin, Voorhees, Dewey, Parker, Matthews, May, Hurty, White, A. C. Ingram, Archer, Hamilton, Turnbull, Gibson, Hodges, Milliken, Storrs, Phelps, Jackson, Flint, Gordon, Clark, Ogilvie, Gove, Elliott, Fay, Hunt, McGee, Park, German, Phipps, Given, Flack, Chase, Oliver, Stone, Rathbun, Durbin, Pattengill, Smith, Hall, Boggs, Storm, Laughlin, Fonda, Alvord, Gaylord, Weed, Brown, Thomas, O'Brien, Whipple, Wood, Forker, Keepers, Carpenter, Johnstone, Blue, Sitts, Millard, Hartman, Maxwell, White, J. H., Smullen, Hammond, Permar, Hemperley, Young, Fitzgerald, C. H., Belknap, Fulton, Roberts, Tucker, Donohue, Derouin, Cook, Shew, Sullivan, Sargeant, Merriam, Harvey, Carver, Fitzgerald, R. E., Soule, Rosencranz, Chapman, Ryan, Aechternacht, Daniels, Robinson, Ashton—91.

Nays—Bayless, Cummings, Duffy, Thompson, Corwin, Crosby, Grover, Webster, Anderson, Lonergan, Gardner, Pomeroy, Whissen, Randolph, Defries—15.

On motion of Daniels, ordered that the blank be filled with the number 48.

By Rodgers:

Resolved, That divisions be allowed to use their own judgment in regard to what shall constitute one year's experience as a conductor.

To adopt, by Duffy. Lost.

By Anderson, to appoint a committee of five to draft resolutions of thanks to parties from whom favors have been received, and of respect to the memory of deceased brothers. Adopted.

Grand Chief Conductor appointed as such committee Bros. Belknap, Rosencranz, Turnbull, Carver and Flack.

By Wheaton:

Resolved, That this Grand Division, in view of the facts and with a full appreciation of the dignity of this body, do hereby earnestly request all members of the Order to discourage subscriptions to *The Railroader* on account of the gratuitous insult to this Grand Body by its editor.

By Parker, to adopt. Adopted.

By Daniels to amend Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes:

Be it Enacted, That Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes be amended by striking out the word "one" and inserting the word "two", to take effect the first day of November, 1884.

By Carver, to adopt. Lost.

By Chapman :

Resolved, That Division No. 61, be ordered to fully investigate the case of the admission of Bro. I. G. Loomis, and if deception was used, they are hereby directed to take prompt action in the matter.

By Turnbull to adopt. Adopted.

By Blue, to reconsider the vote on adoption. Lost.

By Carver :

To amend Section 3, Article 7, of the Statutes. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

Minutes read and approved. Closed 6 P. M.

MORNING.

THURSDAY, October 18th, 1883.

Opened at 9:30 A. M. Present, [see roll, pages 567-568].

By Carver, to amend Section 6, Article 5, of the Statutes. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Daniels, to amend Section 4, Article 1, of the Statutes. Referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Lonergan, to amend Section 5, Article 5, of the Statutes. Referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Daniels :

Be it Ordered, That the Grand Secretary be, and is hereby instructed to notify the Secretary of each division, of all the assessments in the Insurance Association, in addition to the notice sent to each member.

On motion of same, adopted.

By Millard, to reconsider the vote on the final adoption of the second amendment to Article 3 of the Constitution. Lost.

Resolution No. 36, by Blue. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Alvord, to reconsider the vote on the adoption of the second amendment to Article 3 of the Constitution. Adopted.

By Millard, to strike out one thousand five hundred and insert two thousand.

Aggs—Bayless, Miller, Martin, Voorhees, Parker, Hurty, Ingram, Milliken, Storrs, Phelps, Flint, Clark, Ogilvie, Corwin, Hunt, Crosby, McGee, Oliver, Webster, Durbin, Smith, Boggs, Storm, Laughlin, Alvord, Gaylord, Weed, O'Brien, Keepers, Carpenter, Millard, White, J. R., Smullen, Hammond, Permar, Young, Fitzgerald, C. H., Belknap, Roberts, Tucker, Donohue, Derouin, Cook, Sullivan, Sergeant, Whissen, Merriam, Harvey, Carver, Fitzgerald, R. E., Soule, Ryan, Defries, Robinson, Ashton—55.

Nays— Dewey, Matthews, May, Cummings, White, A. G., Duffy, Archer, Hamilton, Turnbull, Thompson, Gibson, Hodges, Gordon, Gove, Grover, Rathbun, Pattengill, Anderson, Loneragan, Hall, Fonda, Brown, Thomas, Gardner, Whipple, Wood, Forker, Johnstone, Blue, Sitts, Pomeroy, Hartman, Maxwell, Hemperley, Fulton, Rosencranz, Randolph, Chapman—47.

The Grand Chief Conductor decided that the motion was adopted, and decision appealed from by Duffy. Decision of the Grand Chief Conductor was sustained by a majority vote.

By Donohue, Resolution No. 37 :

Resolved, That every member making application for insurance shall give his name in full.

By Hurty, Resolution No. 38.

By Daniels, to refer to Committee on Jurisprudence. Adopted.

By Stone, Resolution No. 39 :

That with the beginning of the magazine the Grand Secretary furnish the editor each month a full statement of the insurance.

On motion of same, adopted.

Letter from Mr. N. L. Warwick, read as follows :

NATIONAL CEMETERY, FT. LEAVENWORTH, Oct. 16, 1883.

L. R. Carver, Kansas City, Mo. :

DEAR SIR—I see the Conductors visit Ft. Leavenworth on Wednesday of this week. I am located at the National Cemetery, one-half mile south of the Fort. If you can find time would be pleased to see you one and all of the Railway Conductors' Association who are in the excursion, and would be pleased to show you the care taken of the "Nation's Heroic Dead;" also, to extend to you any courtesies I can personally, for I am still a "Hawkeye."

Very Respectfully,

NOBLE WARWICK.

On motion of Daniels, spread on the minutes.

Report of Committee on Grand Officers' Reports, as follows :

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 16, 1883.

To the Officers and Members of the Sixteenth Grand Division, Order of Railway Conductors :

We, your Committee on Grand Officers' Reports, beg leave to submit the following report :

GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR'S REPORT.

1. At St. Paul an experiment was tried, that of making the office of Grand Chief Conductor a salaried office. Brothers, we think that after a careful comparison of the work for the past year and that of former years, we should be highly satisfied.

2. While we can define no definite means to create a renewed interest in local divisions, at the same time we feel that there should be some means adopted to accomplish said end.

3. We heartily endorse the idea introduced regarding local secretaries arranging for transfers of members who are out of a situation, instead of referring the same to the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, for the reason that local secretaries are, or should be, better acquainted with circumstances and capabilities of said brothers.

4. Also, to instruct brothers in the better use of traveling cards when away from home.

5. A majority of your committee favor the establishment of some kind of a magazine or organ, published by or under the management of the Grand Chief Conductor. With the Executive Committee acting in their proper capacity, there would be no probability of the same objection arising which came up in the case of the other magazines published by the Order.

6. Should the magazine be adopted and the Grand Chief Conductor become editor, in our judgment there would be times when the G. C. C. could not attend all organizations. This would necessitate some arrangement for the Assistant G. C. C. to at such times attend to this class of work.

7. We do not concur in the idea of decreasing the amount of Grand Dues.

8. These long excursions should be discontinued, from the fact that they are a tax on railroads and sleeping car lines, which will in time to come have a tendency to withdraw the necessary privilege which we now enjoy in going to and returning from Grand Divisions.

9. It must be seen by all that the principles of our beloved Order should be more generally known by all—those inside as well as outside. Each brother should acquaint himself fully and openly state to any inquirer said object.

10. Take great pains to avoid any little dissensions in divisions, which are very easy to rake up or over, but, brothers, as you all know, are very difficult to heal; and, by all means, deal carefully with reports against brothers. We should remember well our tie in our obligation which says, "We will do our utmost to defend a brother, should we hear his good name assailed."

11. We observe that a large number of dispensations have been granted, not knowing the circumstances under which same was done. But knowing it to be the duty of the Executive Committee to see and approve same, we feel safe in taking it for granted that same was for the good of the Order and the spirit of the law complied with.

12. We recommend that the amount of \$51.00, paid by G. C. C. to Special Deputy L. R. Carver for organizing new divisions, be refunded him.

13. We find the amount paid by G. C. C. for messages received pertaining to local divisions has been very considerable. We would suggest in future, messages sent by local divisions C. O. D., be charged to divisions sending them.

14. We recommend the bill of \$226.30 for letter-press, postage, stationery and general expense of office for year ending September 30th, 1883, be allowed and an order drawn for the amount.

15. We recommend that the term of office of the G. C. C. and G. S. and T. be for a term of not less than two years.

GRAND SECRETARY'S REPORT.

16. In the matter of no report from deputy to arrest charter of Wheaton Division, No. 28, we see no reason why a report was not made, even though the warrant was not carried out.

17. We consider excuse of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer for not having arrested charter of Pyramid Division, No. 56, sufficient.

18. In the matter of divisions who are delinquent with their annual reports, there are some of the divisions that are old and should know the necessity of being prompt with their reports. In the case of these we would suggest the law take its course. In the case of the new divisions we can see some excuse, from the fact that they have no experience, and our Grand Division reports, especially the recapitulation, is very complicated and should be simplified.

19. In the matter of insurance, while we do not wish to reflect on any person, we are not satisfied with the small increase in numbers during the year. We recommend that the time of paying assessments be extended to not less than forty-five days, and that the Grand Secretary notify local secretaries immediately on the death of a member, giving date and circumstances, the local secretary immediately notifying members of his respective division on blanks for that purpose. In our judgment, local secretaries would be more apt to know the whereabouts of their floating members.

20. In the matter of regulas, we recommend that the Grand Secretary and Treasurer's excuse for not having obtained same be accepted.

21. In the matter of a type-writer, as we understand, it was acted upon last year, ordered and money appropriated for the same, and we think a very wise purchase.

22. And, also, his excuse for not having purchased collars for Grand Officers should be accepted.

23. In our judgment, while we are not fully posted as to this point, we consider that the contract for building cars for initiation purposes should be submitted to the Grand Division. Grand Secretary notes in his report that some delay has occurred on account of builders not furnishing them to

him. This, we think, is wrong. If the firm cannot build them rapidly enough, make a contract with one which can.

24. We think the selection of a print for division cards is very appropriate.

25. We recommend the printing of 10,000 copies of the Constitution and Statutes of the Grand Division, also to change the time of Grand Division to September.

26. We concur in the matter of giving old regalia belonging to old Division 47 to Division 93.

27. We find the financial report in good shape.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

28. We recommend that this Committee's report be accepted and approved. We find their bill of expenses has been very light, being only \$8.60 for the year ending September 30th, 1883. This bill should be allowed and paid.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

29. We are very sorry this Committee has had any labor to perform. But it has been the will of the Grand Ruler of the Universe to remove from our midst seven brothers, who were members of our insurance. So far as we can see their work has been performed as expeditiously as possible, considering the work of this committee has passed through many hands.

We recommend that all of the reports be accepted and approved, and a vote of thanks be tendered officers mentioned. They certainly have performed a vast amount of labor and done it well.

E. M. CORWIN,
Chair. of Com.
E. P. STORM,
I. H. KEEPERS,
FRANK DEROUIN.

The 12th, 14th and 28th paragraphs of reports referred to Committee on Finance. The 19th and 25th paragraphs referred to Committee on Jurisprudence. Balance of report approved by general consent.

Minutes read and approved.

Closed 12:30.

AFTERNOON.

Opened 2:30.

Present — [See roll, pages 567-568.]

Report of Committee on Divisions read, as follows :

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 17, 1883.

To the Officers and Members of the Sixteenth Annual Session of the Grand Division, Order of Railway Conductors :

OFFICERS AND BROTHERS - We, the undersigned committee appointed to examine the reports of divisions, submit the following for your consideration :

Our findings are as follows:

No. 3. We find an error in Recapitulation, on account of a member withdrawn not properly carried out.

No. 4. Failed to carry out names of two members initiated.

No. 5. Failed to insert names of Senior and Junior Conductor.

No. 6. Failed to give date of initiation of E. D. Philips.

No. 9. Report 40 members promoted and failed to carry out names. Error in carrying out number admitted by card.

No. 12. The report was forwarded at the proper time and was returned for corrections.

No. 13. Failed to carry out name of Patrick Smith in alphabetical order.

No. 14. Failed to carry out name of division.

No. 15. Officers' names enrolled with members, Recapitulation not correct.

No. 18. Chief Conductor failed to sign or date Annual Report.

No. 26. Failed to give name of delegate.

No. 28. Inserted name of officers elect in Roll of Membership.

No. 30. Officers enrolled with members, and initiations not carried out.

No. 33. Failed to insert name of delegate, and to carry out Recapitulation.

No. 36. Error in carrying out number of members initiated, which was sixty and report only twenty-four.

No. 37. Failed to fill out in alphabetical order.

No. 47. Found officers names enrolled with members, Recapitulation entirely wrong.

No. 62. Recapitulation not carried out in full, officers' names carried in Roll of Membership.

No. 53. Recapitulation not properly carried out.

No. 64. Post Office address not given.

No. 66. Post Office address not given, Secretary's also omitted, officers' names enrolled with members.

- No. 67. Recapitulation not properly filled out.
 No. 68. Recapitulation not properly filled out.
 No. 69. Officers' names carried on Roll of Membership, Recapitulation wrong.
 No. 70. Recapitulation not properly filled out.
 No. 71. Officers carried on Roll of Members, Recapitulation not given.
 No. 72. Recapitulation not filled out, name of delegate omitted.
 No. 76. Failed to elect officers, having no quorum.
 No. 77. Recapitulation not filled out.
 No. 78. No delegate named.
 No. 79. Recapitulation not properly filled out.
 No. 83. No Recapitulation given.
 No. 88. Failed to give name of division.

W. J. DURBIN,
 P. F. DUFFY,
 THAD. O'COOKE,
 THOS. A. THOMPSON,
 JOS. B. W. JOHNSTONE,
 Committee.

On motion of Park, report adopted.

Report of Special Committee on Revision of the Ritual, as follows: [See new Ritual.]

By Turnbull, to adopt.

By Daniels, to amend by striking out all referring to the use of titles of the Grand Officers, by the officers of divisions during the installation of officers. Adopted.

On adoption of report:

Ayes—Bayless, Miller, Voorhees, Dewey, Parker, Matthews, May, Hurty, Cummings, White, A. G., Ingram, Archer, Turnbull, Gibson, Milliken, Hodges, Storrs, Phelps, Flint, Gordon, Clark, Ogilvie, Gove, Elliott, Fay, Corwin, Hunt, German, Phipps, Given, Flack, Chase, Oliver, Grover, Webster, Durbin, Pattengill, Anderson, Lonergan, Arnum, Smith, Hall, Boggs, Storm, Laughlin, Fonda, Alvord, Gaylord, Brown, Thomas, Gardner, O'Brien, Whipple, Wood, Forker, Keepers, Carpenter, Johnstone, Blue, Millard, Pomeroy, Maxwell, White, J. H., Smullen, Hammond, Permar, Hemperley, Young, Fitzgerald, C. H., Belknap, Fulton, Roberts, Donohue, Derouin, Cook, Shew, Sullivan, Sargeant, Merriam, Harvey, Collins, Long, Carver, Fitzgerald, R. E., Soule, Rosencranz, Chapman, Daniels, Defries, Robinson, Ashton.—91.

Nays—Martin, Duffy, Hamilton, Jackson, Park, Rathbun, Weed, Sitts, Hartman, Whissen, Randolph, Ryan.—12.

Bill of Special Committee referred to Finance Committee.

Report of the Committee on Finance as follows:

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 18th, 1883.

To the Officers and Members of the Sixteenth Annual Session of the Grand Division, Order of Railway Conductors:

We, your Committee on Finance, would respectfully submit the following report:

1. We having examined the books, papers and accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, find them with the exception of a few items correct.

We find the Grand Treasurer received from all sources during the year just closed, \$4,611.85, and paid out during the same period for all purposes, \$4,579.63, leaving a surplus of \$32.22, making the total amount on hand, \$1,530.28.

We find receipts Nos. 540 and 544 for the amounts of \$2.25 and \$31.00 respectively, which we fail to find credited on the books.

2. We also find a bill for \$9.00, presented by J. C. W. Long, and an order drawn on the Treasurer for the amount by C. S. Wheaton, G. C. C., without authority from Grand Division.

We would respectfully recommend that the bill be not allowed, and the Grand Chief Conductor be required to refund the amount to the Treasury.

3. In regard to Article 12 in the report of the Committee on Grand Officers' Reports, we recommend the amount of \$51.00 paid by Grand Chief Conductor to Bro. L. R. Carver be refunded to him, as both at the time were engaged in the service of our Order.

4. In regard to Article 28 in same report, being the expense account of the Executive Committee, amount \$8.60, we would respectfully recommend the payment of the same.

5. In regard to Article 14, in report of Committee on Grand Officers' Reports, we would recommend that the bill as corrected by us, being \$225.00, office expense account of the Grand Chief Conductor for the year ending September 30th, 1883, be paid.

6. We do further recommend that the Grand Secretary and Treasurer be paid for his service the past year \$1,000.

7. We also recommend that the Grand dues for the ensuing year be \$1.00 per member.

8. We, your Committee on Finance, respectfully recommend that the bill for expense in connection with the new Ritual, amounting to \$35.00, presented by the committee on that report, be paid.

W. E. FORKER,
G. S. CUMMINGS,
JNO. TURNBULL,
W. W. GIVEN,
GEORGE DEWEY.

Finance Committee.

GRAND DIVISION, ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS.

To stationery and lost time of brothers in attending meetings of committee.....\$35.00

C. S. WHEATON,
H. S. CHAPMAN,
L. R. CARVER,

Committee.

Report received by consent.

On motion of Daniels, recommendation of 3d paragraph concurred in.

By Daniels, to concur in second recommendation.

Ayes—Bayless, Miller, Martin, Voorhees, Dewey, Parker, Matthews, May, Hurty, Cummings, White, A. G., Ingram, Archer, Turnbull, Milliken, Hodges, Storrs, Phelps, Flint, Gordon, Clark, Ogilvie, Gove, Fay, Corwin, Hunt, Park, Phipps, Given, Chase, Oliver, Webster, Durbin, Smith, Hall, Boggs, Storm, Laughlin, Alvord, Gaylord, Thomas, Gardner, O'Brien, Whipple, Wood, Forker, Keepers, Carpenter, Johnstone, Millard, Pomeroy, Hartman, Maxwell, White, J. H., Smullen, Hammond, Permar, Hemperley, Fitzgerald, C. H., Belknap, Roberts, Derouin, Donohue, Cook, Shew, Sullivan, Surgeant., Whissen, Merriam, Harvey, Collins, Long, Fitzgerald, R. E., Soule, Rosencranz, Chapman, Ryan, Robinson, Ashton — 79.

Nays—Duffy, Hamilton, Thompson, Gibson, Elliott, German, Flack, Grover, Rathbun, Anderson, Lonergan, Arnum, Fonda, Weed, Brown, Blue, Sitts, Young, Fulton, Randolph, Defries — 21.

Carver excused from voting.

By Daniels, to concur in third recommendation. Adopted.

By Daniels, to concur in fourth recommendation. Adopted.

By Phipps, to concur in fifth recommendation. Adopted.

By Park, to concur in sixth recommendation. Adopted.

By Long, to concur in seventh recommendation. Adopted.

By Daniels, to concur in eighth recommendation. Adopted.

By Chapman, to consider report of Committee on Jurisprudence, as read. Adopted.

Report of Committee on Jurisprudence, as follows:

Officers and Brothers:

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, respectfully report as follows:

We recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 3, by Martin.

WHEREAS, It would conduce greatly to the standing and usefulness of the Order to become an incorporated organization, therefore be it

Ordered, That the Grand Officers, Executive Committee, and ten members of the Grand Division, to be selected by ballot, proceed to obtain Articles of Incorporation under the laws of the State of ——— under the name and title of the Order of Railway Conductors.

By Defries, to postpone consideration. Adopted.

The time for closing having arrived, further reading of the report was postponed.

By Phipps, to omit reading the minutes. Lost.

Minutes read and approved. Closed 6 P. M.

MORNING.

FRIDAY, October 19th, 1883.

Opened at 9:30 A. M. Present, [see roll, pages 567-568].

Report of Committee on Jurisprudence resumed, as follows :

In regard to the matter contained in Resolution No. 2, by Martin, your committee is not now prepared to recommend its adoption in its present crude state, yet being fully convinced of the necessity of a radical change in our plan of insurance, to save it from becoming extinct and believing that there are points in this plan as outlined, well worthy the careful consideration of all members of the Order, we therefore recommend that its consideration be deferred until the seventeenth annual session of the Grand Division, and ordered to come up as unfinished business, and we further recommend that the matter be fully discussed and ventilated during the year in subordinate divisions, that improvements may be suggested and delegates be enabled to come to the next session prepared to express the will of their constituents.

WHEREAS, The Order of Railway Conductors is intended to be a beneficial organization, and believing that any measure calculated to result in the greatest good to the greatest number should be adopted, and

WHEREAS, We believe that a change can be made in the Insurance Society connected with the Order that will be of great and permanent benefit to the Order, therefore, be it

Enacted, That all statutes, articles, sections, parts of sections, all laws, rules and regulations, pertaining to the Insurance Society, be and are hereby repealed, and

WHEREAS, As it is of vital importance that means be devised to prevent our loved ones from being thrown on the cold charity of the world, be it

Enacted, That upon the death or disability of a member in good standing, the secretary of his division shall make out and forward to the G. S. and T. a certificate of the death or total disability of such brother, stating age, occupation, date and cause of death or disability, also standing of the brother at the time of death or disability ; such certificate shall be attested to and signed by the C. C., secretary, and three members in good standing in division of which deceased or disabled brother was a member. Within sixty days of receipt of such certificate the G. S. and T. shall forward a draft for the sum of one thousand dollars ; if upon a death certificate, payable to the deceased brother's heirs, as follows :

When endorsed by the secretary of the division ; first, the widow if there be one ; second, the child or children ; third, the mother ; failing in all of which the heirs at law ; payable to such disabled brother or his legal guardians when endorsed by the secretary of division.

If upon a total disability certificate, said amount to be taken from a benefit fund, to be created and maintained, as follows :

Within thirty days from the final adoption of these articles the S. and T. of each division shall pay into the Grand Treasury the sum of ten dollars for each member of the division then in good standing, and thereafter the amount of ten dollars shall be paid yearly in advance for each member in good standing, and for all members promoted during the year he shall pay a pro rata sum.

The following shall constitute total disability : The loss of eyesight, a hand, foot or limb, or any cause whereby he will ever remain totally disabled from performing any labor whereby he can support himself or family, and provided that any member who shall receive the benefit on a disabled certificate shall become an honorary member of the Order, and forfeit all claims to any benefit upon his death.

The benefit fund shall be held sacred for the purpose for which it was created, and two-thirds of any sum which may at any time be in the Grand Treasury to the credit of this fund shall be invested in some of the standard securities by the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, subject to the approval of the Executive Committee ; one-third to be kept in funds immediately available for the payment of a death benefit.

L. P. MARTIN, Division No. 3.

By Turnbull, to concur in recommendation. Adopted.

We recommend the rejection of Resolution No. 20, introduced by Bro. Thompson.

By Johnstone, to concur. Adopted.

No. 19, by Carver. We recommend the adoption of this resolution.

By Brown, to concur. Lost.

No. 17, by Hammond. We recommend that this resolution be laid on the table.

By Daniels, to adopt resolution. Lost.

No. 14, by Sitts. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By Park, to concur. Adopted.

No. 13, by Blue. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By White, to concur. Adopted.

No. 12, by Fonda. Your committee is of the opinion that the matter contained in this resolution is fully covered by existing laws.

By Long, to concur. Adopted.

No. 10, by Lonergan. To amend Sec. 5, Art. 5, of the Constitution. We recommend the rejection of this amendment.

By Daniels, to concur. Adopted.

No. 9, by Anderson. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.
By Long, to concur. Adopted.

No. 8, by Grover. Action having already been taken by your honorable body covering the question of a new Ritual and the changes in the Insurance Association proposed, we recommend the rejection of the resolution contained in this paper.

By Maxwell, to concur. Adopted.

No. 4, by Hodges. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By Park, to concur. Adopted.

No. 5, by Turnbull. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By Johnstone, to concur. Adopted.

We respectfully submit the following and recommend its adoption :

Resolved, That there shall be a uniform price for all copies of the *Monthly Journal*, viz.: \$1.00 per annum.

By Hammond, to concur. Adopted.

We submit the following as a substitute for No. 18, by Harvey, and recommend its adoption :

Resolved, That members of the Order engaged in other than railway business shall not use division cards or ask for favors when traveling in the interest of such business.

By Harvey, to concur. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of the following :

WHEREAS, At the last session of the Grand Division the paper called *The Railroader* was discontinued as the official paper of the Order, for reasons so plain and sufficient that comment is unnecessary, and in view of the very plain intention of the Grand Division to discontinue any connection between that paper and the Order ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Grand Division disapproves the course adopted by brothers of the Order in furnishing news and matters pertaining to the Order for publication after this action was taken, and they are hereby requested to furnish no more Order items to that paper in the future.

By Carver, to concur. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That in admitting members to subordinate divisions great care should be taken to ascertain the capability of the candidate as a conductor, and due weight given the result in the election or rejection of a candidate.

By Ryan, to concur. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That a full and complete declaration of the principles of the Order of Railway Conductors are contained in the following words: "Truth, honor, sobriety, capability and brotherly love."

By Park, to concur. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That all communications appearing in the *Monthly Journal* shall be signed by the *bona fide* name of the author.

By Turnbull, to concur. Lost.

No. 34, by Randolph. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By Long, to concur. Adopted.

No. 38, by Hurty. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By Park, to concur. Adopted.

No. 6, by Storrs. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By Chapman, to concur. Adopted.

No. 21, by Chase. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By Turnbull, to concur. Adopted.

No. 7, by Corwin. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By German, to concur. Adopted.

No. 11, by Smith. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By Chapman, to concur. Adopted.

No. 23, by Randolph. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By Johnstone, to concur. Adopted.

No. 15, by Millard. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By White, A. G., to concur. Adopted.

No. 30, by Carver. To amend Sec. 3, Art. 7, of the Statutes:

Be it Enacted, That Sec. 3, Art. 7, of the Statutes, be amended by adding the words, "Providing such application be made before the close of the fiscal year following that in which the division became defunct." This amendment to take effect and be in force on and after its final passage.

We recommend the adoption of the amendment.

By Park, to concur. Adopted.

No. 33, by Daniels. To amend Sec. 3, Art. 1, of the Statutes:

Be it Enacted, That Sec. 3, Art. 1, of the Statutes, be amended by striking out the number "24" and inserting the number "10." This amendment to take effect and be in force on and after its final passage.

We recommend the adoption of this amendment.

By Long, to concur. Adopted.

No. 34, by Lonergan. To amend Sec. 5, Art. 5, of the Statutes. We recommend the rejection of this amendment.

By Turnbull, to concur. Adopted.

No. 31, by Carver. To amend Sec. 6, Art. 5, of the Statutes:

Be it Enacted, That Sec. 6, Art. 5, of the Statutes, be amended by inserting after the word "division," in second line, the words, "Provided such appeal is taken before the end of the fiscal year following that in which the

decision appealed from was made." This amendment to take effect and be in full force on and after its final passage.

We recommend the adoption of this amendment.

By Daniels, to concur. Adopted.

No. 1, by Miller. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By Park, to concur. Adopted.

No. 30, by Blue. We recommend the rejection of this resolution.

By White, J. H., to concur. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That if it becomes necessary for the Grand Chief Conductor to employ assistance in organizing divisions during the year, he may, with the consent of the Executive Committee, do so, at not more than \$5.00 per day, to be paid by the Grand Treasurer on order of the Grand Chief Conductor, approved by the Executive Committee.

By Johnstone, to concur. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of the following:

Ordered, That a badge of white silk, similar to delegates' badges, with jewels as provided, be substituted for the collar for Grand Officers.

By Fay, to concur. Adopted.

JAMES OGILVIE,
L. P. MARTIN,
FRANK W. FLINT,
C. A. MILLARD,
A. N. SMITH,

Committee.

Majority report of Committee on Jurisprudence, as follows:

OFFICERS AND BROTHERS — We, a majority of your Committee on Jurisprudence, recommend the rejection of Resolution No. 16, by Millard.

JAMES OGILVIE,
L. P. MARTIN,
A. N. SMITH,

of the Committee.

By Daniels, to accept and concur. Adopted.

OFFICERS AND BROTHERS — We a majority of your Committee on Jurisprudence, recommend the rejection of Resolution No. 50, by Daniels.

JAMES OGILVIE,
L. P. MARTIN,
A. N. SMITH,
FRANK W. FLINT,

of the Committee.

OFFICERS AND BROTHERS—I, a member of your Committee on Jurisprudence, desire to make the following minority report: I respectfully recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 50.

C. A. MILLARD,

of the Committee.

By Phipps, to accept majority report of committee, and concur in recommendation:

Ayes—Bayless, Martin, Dewey, Matthews, White, A. G., Duffy, Ingram, Archer, Hamilton, Thompson, Turnbull, Gibson, Milliken, Storm, Jackson, Flint, Gordon, Clark, Ogilvie, Gove, Elliott, Corwin, Crosby, McGee, Park, German, Phipps, Flack, Chase, Oliver, Grover, Rathbun, Webster, Durbin, Anderson, Lonergan, Arnum, Smith, Storm, Laughlin, Fonda, Alvord, Weed, Brown, Thomas, Gardner, O'Brien, Whipple, Wood, Carpenter, Blue, Sitts, Hartman, Maxwell, Hemperley, Young, Fitzgerald, C. H., Derouin, Merriam, Randolph, Defries, Robinson—62.

Nays—Miller, Voorhees, Parker, May, Hurty, Hodges, Phelps, Fay, Hunt, Given, Pattengill, Hall, Boggs, Gaylord, Forker, Keepers, Johnstone, Millard, Pomeroy, White, J. H., Smullen, Hammond, Permar, Belknap, Fulton, Roberts, Donohue, Cook, Shew, Sullivan, Sargeant, Harvey, Long, Carver, Fitzgerald, R. E., Soule, Rosencranz, Chapman, Ryan, Aechternacht, Daniels—41.

OFFICERS AND BROTHERS—We, a majority of your Committee on Jurisprudence, recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That this Grand Division earnestly requests the brothers, at the place where the next session shall be held, not to arrange for any extended excursion.

JAMES OGILVIE,

L. P. MARTIN,

A. N. SMITH,

F. W. FLINT,

of the Committee.

OFFICERS AND BROTHERS—I, a member of your Committee on Jurisprudence, respectfully recommend the rejection of the above resolution.

C. A. MILLARD.

of the Committee.

By Phipps, to accept majority report, and concur in the recommendation.
Adopted.

By Turnbull:

Resolved, That the thanks of the Order of Railway Conductors are due and hereby tendered Grand Chief Conductor C. S. Wheaton for the prompt

and fearless manner in which he acted in regard to the "United Trainmen's Association," thereby preventing members of the Order, who also belonged to the "United Trainmen's Association," from violating their obligation and bringing disgrace upon themselves and casting damaging reflections on the Order.

On motion of Ryan, adopted.

By Johnstone :

Resolved, That in future, in order to facilitate the work of the Grand Division, each division is requested to have their delegate thoroughly post himself on the business that is to come before the Grand Division.

On motion of Miller, adopted.

By Daniels :

Resolved, That Bro. L. R. Carver be, and is hereby requested to take charge of the printing of the new Ritual ; that two thousand copies be printed and bound with flexible leather covers.

On motion of Phipps, adopted.

By Smullen :

Resolved, That each delegate and member of this Grand Division bring before their respective divisions the subject of conductors' license, similar to that of river pilots, and if favorably received by divisions, that they use their influence with their representatives to have laws passed providing that conductors must be licensed before they run trains.

By Miller, to adopt. Lost.

By Ryan, to reconsider vote on the motion to adopt. Adopted.

On motion of Phipps, previous question ordered and resolution adopted.

By Chapman, to take up Resolution No. 22. Adopted.

No. 22, by Carver :

WHEREAS, It is an established fact that the use of intoxicating liquors among conductors is a great evil and a drawback to them, and wherever the habit touches it leaves a stain, and

WHEREAS, All railway managers look with a greater or less degree of suspicion on those of their conductors who are addicted to the use of strong drink, and we *know* that its use has caused the downfall of many a good conductor, who was in all other respects an honor to the profession, and we also know that there are numerous instances where, but for this fatal and pernicious habit, many conductors would have been promoted to higher and more important duties ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we, the officers and members of the sixteenth session of the Grand Division of the Order, do hereby proclaim to all and so record our votes, that we will use our best endeavors to discourage the use of

strong drink among members of the Order, and that we will use all honorable means to discountenance its use while in the transaction of our train business, and while in the discharge of any duty relative to the Order.

On motion of Phipps, previous question ordered and the resolution adopted.

On motion of Soule, the Grand Secretary was instructed to copyright the division card now in use.

Minutes read and approved. Closed 12:45 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

By Chapman, to reconsider the vote on adoption of resolution fixing the price of the *Journal* at \$1. Adopted.

By Defries, to amend by striking out \$1 and inserting \$1.50. By White, A. G., to amend amendment by striking out \$1.50 and inserting \$1.25. On amendment to amendment; adopted. On amendment as amended; adopted. On resolution as amended, fixing the price of the *Journal* at \$1.25 per annum; adopted.

No. 54, by Corwin, to amend Insurance Laws. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

No. 55, by Corwin. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

For Member of Executive Committee

L. P. Martin, nominated by Millard.

J. N. Robinson, nominated by R. E. Fitzgerald.

W. E. Forker, nominated by Brown.

Jas. Laughlin, nominated by Lonergan.

First ballot—Whole number of votes cast, 107. Robinson, 60; Martin, 16; Forker, 5; Laughlin, 23; Soule, 2; Ogilvie, 1. Bro. John N. Robinson having received a majority of all cast was declared duly elected.

For Grand Chief Conductor:

C. S. Wheaton, nominated by Phipps.

First ballot—Whole number of votes cast, 99. Wheaton, 85; Chapman, 1; Fitzgerald, 1; Daniels, 2; Defries, 2. C. S. Wheaton having received a majority of all cast was declared duly elected.

For Assistant Grand Chief Conductor:

L. R. Carver, nominated by Millard.

S. H. Defries, nominated by Turnbull.

Jas. Laughlin, nominated by Lonergan.

Fred. L. Chase, nominated by Storrs.

Wm. J. Durbin, nominated by Robinson.

First ballot—Whole number of votes cast, 106. Carver, 33; Defries, 46; Laughlin, 15; Durbin, 8; Chase, 3. No election.

Second ballot—Whole number of votes cast, 108. Carver, 36; Defries, 67; Laughlin, 1; Durbin 4. S. H. Defries having received a majority of all cast was declared duly elected.

For Grand Secretary and Treasurer:

C. A. Stanchfield, nominated by Corwin.

Wm. P. Daniels, nominated by Soule.

First ballot—Whole number of votes cast, 107. Stanchfield, 42; Daniels, 64; Duffy, 1. Wm. P. Daniels having received a majority of all cast was declared duly elected.

For Grand Senior Conductor :

Jas. Laughlin, nominated by A. G. White.

P. F. Duffy, nominated by R. E. Fitzgerald.

Jas. Ogilvie, nominated by Millard.

E. L. Fay, nominated by Brown.

E. H. Belknap, nominated by Hall.

L. P. Martin, nominated by Archer.

A. A. Pattengill, nominated by Hurty.

Wm. J. Durbin, nominated by Robinson.

R. E. Fitzgerald, nominated by Duffy.

W. D. Hall, nominated by Rosencranz.

First ballot—Whole number of votes cast 104. Hall, 7; Laughlin, 38; Belknap, 7; Ogilvie, 4; Martin, 15; Duffy, 6; Fitzgerald, 7; Durbin, 11; Fay, 2; Pattengill, 6; Hurty, 1. No election.

Second ballot—Whole number of votes cast, 102. Hall, 3; Laughlin, 69; Belknap, 7; Ogilvie, 1; Duffy, 3; Martin, 9; Durbin, 7; Fay, 1; Pattengill, 2. James Laughlin having received a majority of all cast was declared duly elected.

For Grand Junior Conductor .

Joseph B. W. Johnstone, nominated by Millard.

E. H. Belknap, nominated by A. G. White.

S. A. Rathbun, nominated by Park.

H. Pratt Matthews, nominated by Elliott.

Louis P. Martin, nominated by Hammond.

Joseph H. Archer, nominated by Hodges.

A. G. White, nominated by Brown.

Wm. J. Durbin, nominated by Robinson.

T. A. Thompson, nominated by Randolph.

T. W. Tucker, nominated by Aechternacht.

Ed. L. Fay, nominated by Phipps.

Frank Derouin, nominated by Defries.

Wm. H. Given, nominated by Keepers.

Henry S. Storrs, nominated by Corwin.

First ballot—Votes cast, 106. Belknap, 14; Johnstone, 7; Rathbun, 4; Matthews, 2; Archer, 8; Hodges, 4; Martin, 20; White, 12; Durbin, 17; Thompson, 2; Tucker, 2; Fay, 1; Derouin, 4; Given, 4; Storrs, 3; Long, 1; Storm, 1. No election.

Second ballot—Votes cast, 107. Belknap, 35; Martin, 32; White, 17; Thompson, 1; Durbin, 19; Derouin, 1; Rathbun, 1; Given, 1. No election.

Third ballot—Votes cast, 101. Belknap, 47; Martin, 29; White, 12; Durbin, 11; Rathbun, 1; Derouin, 1. No election.

Fourth ballot—Votes cast, 106. Belknap, 81; Martin, 17; Durbin, 7; White, 1. E. H. Belknap having received a majority of all cast was declared duly elected.

For Grand Inside Sentinel:

Joseph B. W. Johnstone, nominated by Millard.

J. H. White, nominated by Blue.

J. D. Smullen, nominated by Corwin.

L. P. Martin, nominated by Miller.

S. A. Rathbun, nominated by Aechternacht.

E. P. Storm, nominated by Ryan.

J. C. Weed, nominated by Rathbun.

Wm. J. Durbin, nominated by Soule.

First ballot—100 votes cast. Johnstone, 9; Weed, 2; Maxwell, 11; White, 15; Smullen, 8; Martin, 25; Rathbun, 9; Storm, 5; Durbin, 13; Derouin, 3. No election.

Second ballot—104 votes cast. Johnstone, 7; Maxwell, 2; White, 20; Martin, 59; Durbin, 3; Smullen, 3; Derouin, 1; Rathbun, 2; Storm, 1. Louis P. Martin having received a majority of all cast was declared duly elected.

For Grand Outside Sentinel:

J. D. Smullen, nominated by Storrs.

Wm. J. Durbin, nominated by Robinson.

R. E. Fitzgerald, nominated by Ashton.

Ed. L. Fay, nominated by A. G. White.

J. S. Maxwell, nominated by Turnbull.

Charles R. Ashton, nominated by R. E. Fitzgerald.

A. B. Gibson, nominated by Archer.

J. D. Hamilton, nominated by Laughlin.

A. G. White, nominated by Fay.

First ballot—96 votes cast. Fitzgerald, 9; Fay, 9; Maxwell, 14; Ashton, 2; Gibson, 4; Hamilton, 30; White, 7; Smullen, 11; Durbin, 20. No election.

Second ballot—103 votes cast. Hamilton, 78; Maxwell, 6; Gibson, 1; Smullen, 7; Durbin, 2; Fay, 7; White, 1; Fitzgerald, 1. J. D. Hamilton having received a majority of all cast was declared duly elected.

For member of Insurance Committee:

C. A. Millard, nominated by Soule.

Sam Phipps, nominated by Durbin.

E. P. Storm, nominated by R. E. Fitzgerald.

Frank W. Flint, nominated by Martin.

First ballot—87 votes cast. Millard, 62; Storm, 7; Flint, 1; Phipps, 17.

C. A. Millard having received a majority of all cast was declared duly elected.

For place of holding next session:

Boston, nominated by Phipps.

Louisville, nominated by Cook.

Albany, nominated by Storm.

First ballot—105 votes cast. Boston, 41; Louisville, 38; Albany, 26. No choice.

Second ballot—105 votes cast. Boston, 57; Louisville, 31; Albany, 17. Boston having received a majority of all cast, was declared the place for holding the next annual session of the Grand Division.

Minutes read and approved. Closed 6:20 P. M.

MORNING.

SATURDAY, October 20th, 1883.

Opened 9:30 A. M. Present, [see roll, pages 567-568].

By Defries:

Resolved, That it is the decision of this Grand Division, that if an application for a dispensation to accept as a member a person, not otherwise eligible, was made before October 19th, such dispensation may lawfully issue.

On motion of Whissen, adopted.

By Daniels:

Ordered, That the new Ritual take effect January 1st, 1884, and be furnished at the uniform price of 25 cents each. Divisions organized between October 20th and December 31st, 1883, inclusive, shall be furnished eight Rituals free.

On motion of Long, adopted.

By Hammond:

Ordered, That division secretaries are hereby directed to burn all old Rituals on receipt of the new ones, and certify, under the division seal, that it is done.

On motion of same, adopted.

By Ogilvie, to change jurisdiction of divisions.

By Millard to adopt. Lost.

By Ashton:

Resolved, That this Grand Division tender a vote of thanks to our worthy Grand Chief Conductor, C. S. Wheaton, for the able manner in which he has served the Order during the past year, and inasmuch as his whole time has been devoted to the Order, we hereby tender him a leave of absence for thirty days during the coming year, to be taken ten or fifteen days at a time, as his business will permit.

On motion of same, adopted.

By Blue, to amend Section 1, Article 2, of the Constitution. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

On motion of Daniels, price of delegates' and permanent members' badges fixed at \$2 each.

Report of Special Committee on Resolutions, as follows:

Officers and Brothers:

We, your Committee appointed to draft resolutions of respect to the memory of our brothers who have departed this life during the year, respectfully submit the following:

WHEREAS, The Grand Chief Conductor of the Universe has, in His All-Wise Providence, removed from our midst many of our brothers, and,

WHEREAS, That in the deaths of these brothers this Grand Division has lost faithful members, our Order true and devoted brothers and worthy co-laborers, those who have been ready to lend helping hands to a weary brother, always believing it was better to give than to receive; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we deeply sympathize with their respective families in this their bitter affliction, and we earnestly pray that the God of the widow and the fatherless will be to them a sure refuge in their time of need, and finally, prepare us to meet our well-beloved brothers who have gone before.

"They are gone but not forgotten. All can say
Their lives were like the flowers, that pass away;
Though their journey o'er, their memory still
Remains to cheer us up Life's rugged hill."

"Their sun has not set; only risen on some fairer shore."

And be it Further Resolved, That a copy of this be spread on the minutes, and a copy be forwarded to the families of the deceased brothers.

E. H. BELKNAP,
F. ROSENCRAUZ,
JOHN TURNBULL,
L. R. CARVER,
W. W. FLACK.

Committee.

On motion of Hurty, adopted.

Report of Special Committee on Resolutions, as follows:

Officers and Brothers:

We, your committee appointed to draft resolutions of thanks to those to whom members of the Grand Division are indebted for favors, respectfully submit the following:

WHEREAS, The members, visitors and their families of this the sixteenth annual session of the Grand Division, have been the recipients of many courtesies and marks of kindness from the several parties mentioned; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be and are hereby tendered to the officers and members of Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, for their many kindnesses, their warm expressions of brotherly love, and their untiring efforts to make our visit entertaining and instructive.

And, That the thanks of this Grand Division are due and are hereby tendered to the officers of the various railroads who have so generously granted the courtesy of free transportation of delegates and their families to and from Kansas City.

And, That the thanks of this Grand Division be also tendered to the officers of the Pullman Palace and Wagner Sleeping Car Companies for the courtesies extended to ourselves and families.

• *And*, That the thanks of the Grand Division are also tendered the Western Union Telegraph Company for the free use of their lines during this session, and also to the Express Companies of the United States and Canada for the many courtesies extended to the Grand and subordinate divisions of the Order during the past year.

And, That the thanks of the Grand Division are due and are hereby tendered to the press of Kansas City for courtesies extended; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend to the Hon. Thomas Crittenden, Governor of the State of Missouri, our thanks for his special invitation for our sixteenth Grand Division to visit the State of Missouri.

Also to Hon. Robert A. Campbell, Lieutenant Governor, and to Hon. T. B. Bullene, Ex-Mayor of Kansas City, for their invitations, and we recommend that a copy of this, our thanks, be sent to the above named gentlemen.

Resolved, That we extend to the Railway Young Men's Christian Association our thanks for their reception to us, and for their special entertainment while in the city.

Resolved, That we extend to James D. Carson, Esq., Superintendent of the Union Depot, our thanks for courtesies extended to the Order of Railway Conductors.

Resolved, That we extend our thanks to Noble Warwick, Esq., Superintendent of the National Cemetery at Leavenworth, Kansas, to visit this city of the Nation's dead; and be it further

Resolved, That we extend to Bros. James Laughlin, A. T. Sholes, F. C. Aechternacht and E. P. Sullivan, of Kaw Valley Division, No. 55, our special thanks for their untiring efforts for entertainment while in Kansas City, and extend our special thanks for the same, and to all who have helped them to make our stay pleasant.

Resolved, That we sensibly appreciate the efforts of all who have contributed so cheerfully to the comfort and enjoyment of the members of our Order, during the journey to and from our homes to Kansas City, and during our stay in the city.

We respectfully recommend that the above preamble and resolutions be spread upon the minutes and be printed in the city papers.

E. H. BELKNAP,
F. ROSENCRANZ,
JOHN TURNBULL,
L. R. CARVER,
W. W. FLACK,

Committee.

On motion of Hurty, adopted.

On motion of Soule, ordered that only the resolutions, orders, etc., that have been adopted by this session, be printed in full in the minutes.

Grand Officers elect regularly installed by Past Grand Chief Conductor Wm. L. Collins.

P O E M.

DEDICATED TO THE BROTHERS OF THE O. R. C.

We meet as brothers, and to-day we ask our friends to come
And join in the last festivities while our closing work is done ;
We meet you one and all, and bid you a welcome here,
Like life the coming, then the going, then perhaps a tear.

We call you friends, and rightly too, for the mystic name of love
Is a gift implanted in every heart, by your Heavenly Father above.
Thus all kindly join in the welcome, and mingle with the throng,
That work for the good of the brethren, and frown on vile and wrong.

You are strangers, you say, to this Order ; ah, no, for day by day
Your lives are entrusted, only in a different way,
And we only represent thousands, all over this broad land,
Who are guides to you on your journey, with dangers on every hand.

The public, one vast multitude, ever swaying to and fro,
You find us the first to call, wherever you chance to go ;
'Mid the tempest or the deadly calm, the sunshine or the rain,
We salute you first, and scarcely ever forget to call again.

You may ask our aim, our object ; ah, yes, and I will tell
You all the secrets of this Order : 'T is to do our duty well,
To lend each brother a helping hand, do everything we can
To assist him along the journey of life, help him to be a man.

This is the noble lesson, no duty could be more plain,
It is taught by the Holy Bible, by us impressed again ;
By the help of the great Creator the created we implore,
If he fall by the wayside, help him : "Brother, go sin no more."

The roads are made of iron and steel, the bed of stone and sand,
From Newfoundland's fishing grounds, to Pacific's golden strand ;
From the orange groves of sunny South to the fields of ice and snow,
Where the rivers rise, still flowing on, to the gulf of Mexico.

We go whizzing round the curves, the bridge seems but a span,
They are almost emblematic of the journey and life of man ;
We wear the badge of authority, telling what we may do,
To guide the traveler on his way, safe passage to all of you.

The routine of life is nearly the same, when all is going well,
 If not the pilot's ear hears the sound of the tinkling bell.
 And when danger lurks around we trust him till we die,
 Who brave at heart, with steady nerve, a keen and restless eye.

The rails are lain on the oaken ties, placed with greatest care,
 But the ties of this Brotherhood last till death gathers each one where
 The tired and weary bodles rest, when the journey of life is done,
 When the Master calls us to that home prepared for every one.

If the train is running too fast, "down brakes" is the given sign,
 For most of us will soon break down, for all it is nearly time ;
 But years of toil, of hard, hard work, each wrinkle and whitened head,
 Brings us nearer to the end of the road, the city of the dead.

Some one else will sing "All aboard." some one the signal wave,
 Some one else pass along the isle when we are in the grave ;
 Some one else will carry the signals, green, or white, or red,
 Some one else will place the signal black, on the door when we are dead.

The flickering lights oft-times grow dim as the gray of morn appears,
 The light of our lives is burning low, the days and months and years,
 Seem as a moment fleeting by, and soon the order will be :
 "Prepare for the run that carries you to the shores of eternity."

Then let us marshal our forces, to do what is right and best,
 Let us buckle the armor of manhood on, God will do all the rest ;
 And while we live let us brothers be, e'en down to the end of time,
 "And old acquaintance ne'er be forgot, in the days of Auld Lang Syne."

We meet each year to review the past, to strengthen the bonds of love,
 Soon, very soon, will be our last, and the flight of the carrier dove
 Is but typical of the fleeting years, years that return no more,
 But carry us down the vista of life, to some mysterious shore —

Which we have never seen, but there comes a day or a night when
 every one
 Will lay down the burden, pick up the cross, all of life's work be done ;
 And we never return to our earthly home, we never come back to see,
 But the rest will journey right along, to meet both you and me.

Our motto is written on that banner, in words of truth so plain,
 That no one knowing their meaning need ever ask again :
 "Perpetual Friendship," noble words, and no one will ever forget
 It began when Bethlehem's star arose, will end with the last sunset.

Friendship, a harbinger of joy, true friendship never will die;
 It is felt in the grasp of the hand, the look of the steadfast eye.
 When all the world seems dreary, desolate, bleak and cold,
 A friend that is true, like the red, white and blue, never grows old.

Perpetual, never to end till the shores of eternity bring
 From the heavens so bright, the angels of light, even their voices ring;
 Still chanting their song they carry it along, sweeter than ever before,
 And no one can guess how many it will bless, on, on to eternity's shore.

There's a white flag, and a red, and green, mementoes of duty each day,
 We have carried them often along, telling others the way
 To preserve their rights when we chanced to meet, signals that always
 tell,
 Safeguards in life to every one who doeth his duty well.

They are typical, too, of a nation's birth: of America, honored and free;
 They are types of the freeman, a country's worth, whether on land or
 sea;
 They are guides for you in your daily walk, teaching all to be true.
 They are symbols of the dear old flag, the red, the white and blue.

They beckon the oppressed from a foreign shore, a welcome to be free,
 How few that come here ever return to the Fatherland over the sea;
 The dew may wrinkle the flag at night, but the bright sun will unfold,
 And the Stars and Stripes keep floating on; the picture never grows old.

So like our country, we ask those to come and stand by the altar where
 They acknowledge the presence of a Being, a God and a guiding star;
 We ask you naught but the Bible teaches, even all its pages through,
 Simply "Do to others, as you would they should do unto you."

But few there be that may not come, tarry no longer then,
 Be temperate, moral, have brotherly love, every one gentlemen;
 Learn the first lesson, charity, and help each other along,
 Learn to act right toward yourself and others, guard against every wrong.

Study the work laid out for you, a great life lesson to learn.
 No creed but the duty you have to do, never to waver or turn
 From the noble words in the Book of books, the guide for you and me,
 Without which this life would be empty and void of goodness and purity.

I am looking back to years ago, when it seemed not even a care
 To help a brother from his downward way, when the pitfall and the snare
 Were prepared by each other to fall therein, and every one seemed to find
 A pleasure in building his castle high, and leaving the others behind.

No place where we met in unity, and scarcely a kind, good word
From the lips of one another, and too many here have heard
So many assailed on every hand, and the God who dwelleth above,
And His precepts almost forgotten, and the duty of brotherly love.

The past year has been fruitful to us, more so than ever before,
The new year opens with a halo around the division door ;
The altar looks green, and the buds of truth and the Bible unite us all,
So rise to the height of man's estate and attend the Master's call.

The Outside Sentinel awaiteth here to welcome the stranger in,
The Inside grasps his hand, and says : " Where, where have you been ?"
Away from the world's cold charity, if nothing more he gains,
The strength strong arms can give him where " Perpetual Friendship "
 reigns.

Farewell, to-day we are going home, we thank the brothers here
For the welcome and the open doors, and if we should drop a tear,
The brothers of Kaw Valley Division will not forget that we
Remembered your kindness to all of us in eighteen eighty-three.

E. H. BELKNAP.

By Ryan, to tender a vote of thanks to Bro. E. H. Belknap. Unanimously adopted.

On motion of Ashton, a Permanent Member badge was presented to Bros. Wm. L. Collins and Henry Shew.

The Grand Chief Conductor appointed E. H. Belknap and James Ogilvie associate editors of the *Railway Conductor's Monthly*.

There being no further business, the Grand Division was regularly closed at 2:30 P. M., until the third Tuesday in October, 1884, unless sooner specially convened.

WM. P. DANIELS,
Grand Secretary.

C. S. WHEATON,
Grand Chief Conductor.

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M. RYAN, 128 East Fifty-First Street, New York City.	October, 1884.
J. S. RANDOLPH, Brockville, Ontario.	October, 1885.
JOHN N. ROBINSON, 401 Eleventh Street, Milwaukee, Wis.	October, 1886.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

	TERM EXPIRES
E. OLIN SOULE, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.	October, 1884.
C. A. MILLARD, 714 College Avenue, Elmira, New York.	October, 1885.

PAST GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTORS.

WILLIAM L. COLLINS,	ISAAC N. HODGES,
JOHN B. MORFORD,	CYRUS A. STANCHFIELD,
JOSEPH H. KIMBALL.	

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PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS
AT THE
SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION,
HELD IN THE CITY OF BOSTON, MASS.,

OCTOBER 21, 1884.

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MICHAEL RYAN.

Executive Committee.

PROCEEDINGS.

KNIGHTS OF HONOR HALL, BOSTON, MASS. }

Tuesday, Oct. 21, 1884. }

The Grand Division met in regular session at 9:30 A. M. Grand Chief Conductor Wheaton appointed Chas. Stewart, of Division 17, Assistant Grand Chief Conductor *pro tem*, and E. B. Hunt, of Division 32, Grand Inside Sentinel *pro tem*. The Grand Division was then regularly opened with the following present:

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

NAMES.	No. of Div.	Tuesday.		Wed'day.		Th'rsday.		Friday.		Saturday.		M'y.
		A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	
Wheaton, C. S.	G. C. C.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Defries, S. H.	A. G. C. C.	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Daniels, W. P.	G. S. & T.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Laughlin, Jas.	G. S. C.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Belknap, E. H.	G. J. C.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hunt, E. B. <i>pro tem</i>	G. I. S.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hamilton, J. D.	G. C. S.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Rexinger, C. F.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Richmond, E. J.		2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kick, Chas. J.		3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Landon, F. M.		4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Savage, M. C.		5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Parker, A. S.		6	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Qualtrough, R. G.		7	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
Sackett, O.		8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hurty, Hiram.		9	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
Hoadley, Miles.		10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Unkefer, J. W.		11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Duffy, P. F.		12	1	1	10.00	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ingram, W. H.		13	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bunnell, F. A.		14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hunn, S. A.		15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3.30	1	1
Douglas, A.		16	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Stewart, Chas.		17	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Conlan, F. M.		18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hussey, S. H.		19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Rogers, D. H.		20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Potter, Allen.		21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Phelps, G. B.		22	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mudgett, Geo. M.		23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
Flint, F. W.		24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0
Howland, G. W.		25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sears, W. S.		26	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0	1
Cameron, A.		27	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Vadney, L. W.		28	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wright, W. C.		29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Grist, B.		30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cross, W. C.		31	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
York, Joseph.		32	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.
Case, Henry.		33	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Conner, W. F.		34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Park, W. L.		35	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
German, L.		36	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1
Phipps, Sam.		37	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bowers, D.		38	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Flack, W. W.		39	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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NAMES.	No. of Div.	Tuesday.		Wed'day.		Th'rsday.		Friday.		Saturday.		M'y.
		A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	
Pennock, Geo. E.	40	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Wilkins, C. H.	41	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 0	0	0	0
Conklin, E. P.	43	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Shute, G. M.	44	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Evans, H.	45	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Durbin, W. J.	46	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Simpson, T. R.	47	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Ryan, John F.	48	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Loneragan, J. J.	49	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Ewell, D. J.	50	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1 1	1	1	Ex.
Proud, Samuel.	51	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Romaine, T.	52	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Harnest, John E.	53	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Storms, E. P.	54	1	1	1	1	1	1	1Ex	1 1	1	1	1
Coman, Ed.	55	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Dillon, C. B.	56	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Bailey, Alf.	57	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Gaylord, A. E.	58	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Powell, J. B.	59	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Patterson, J. M.	60	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Willott, G. E.	61	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Gardner, A. H.	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Hancock, W. P.	63	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Fitzmorris, Thos.	64	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Butt, A. D.	65	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Forker, W. E.	66	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Keepers, I. H.	67	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Burghart, D. G.	68	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Johnstone, J. B. W.	69	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Wilcox, E. H.	70	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Sitts, F.	71		4.00	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Webster, Wm. A.	72	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Bycraft, Robert.	73	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Demorest, D. L.	74	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Copeland, J. B.	75	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Murray, W.	76	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	Ex.	1	1
Blount, B. F.	77	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Carr, E. B.	78	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Permar, Wes.	79	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Hemperley, W. S.	80	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Freeman, S. M.	81	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Carrell, E. D.	82	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Richardson, J. L.	83	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Lewis, C. H.	84	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Roberts, L. W.	85	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	Ex.
Valentine, Ezra	86	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Kaywood, W. B.	87	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	Ex.	1	1
Marchessault, M. T.	88	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	0	1
Randall, S. F.	89	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1 1	1	1	1
Goodman, S. O.	90	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Mohler, W. O.	91	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	0	1	1
Lovejoy, G. W.	92	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Shipman, J. A.	93		3.10	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Cavanagh, J. M.	94	1	3.10	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	0	1	1
	95	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 0	0	0	0
Hinkley, M. T.	96	0	5.10	10.00	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Johnston, A.	97	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
McElroy, J. G.	98	0	1	10.15	1	1	1	10.20	1 0	1	1	1
Fargo, E. H.	99	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Sullivan, W. F.	100	0	5.30	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Mansfield, M. R.	101	1	2.55	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Hamilton, E.	102	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	0	1
Schindler, B. F.	103	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1
Braze, J. E.	104	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	Ex.
Harris, R. E.	105	1	2.55	1	1	1	1	1	1 1	1	1	1

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NAMES.	No. of Div.	Tuesday.		Wed'day.		Th'rsday.		Friday.		Saturday.		M'y.
		A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.	P.M.	
Crane, A. M.	106	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Matlack, Frank.	107	1	2.55	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mutter, J. W.	108	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Pfeffer, C.	109	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0
Clendenin, J. C.	110	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Stoddard, W. H.	111	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0
Wright, T. J.	112	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Horn, L. F.	113	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Connor, A. A.	114	1	3.05	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0
McCarthy, J. E.	115	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Morris, O. M.	116	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.
Gardner, J. H.	117	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kent, Merritt.	118	1	2.55	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sheehan, W. P.	119	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cass, W. E.	120	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ketchum, F. E.	121	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1
Cronin, H. E.	122	1	1	Ex.	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
Lackey, Walter.	123	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Babcock, D. W.	124	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.
Cutter, A. H.	125	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Milsbaugh, J. J. S.	126	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hale, W. H.	127	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	1	1
Hammond, G. R.	128	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Chase, F. L.	129	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Adams, S. H.	130	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
McCarthy, J.	131	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bonfy, W. D.	132	1	1	1	Ex.	0	1	1	1	Ex.	Ex.	0
Stockdale, J. C.	133	0	0	11.00	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	134	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wood, C. L.	135	0	0	11.00	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
Rugland, H. N.	136	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
McClure, J. H.	137	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	Ex1	1	1	1
Rice, W. E.	138	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Riggs, J.	139	0	0	10.25	1	1	0	10.45	1	1	1	1
Crawford, W. T.	140	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Loughridge, G. M.	141	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	142	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wood, C. A.	143	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0
Campbell, J. C.	144	1	3.05	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0
	145	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Bramble, W. E.	146	0	5.30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parks, Genther.	147	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Toms, Chas.	148	0	0	10.25	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1
	149	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
King, C. T.	150	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Flagg, Chas. W.	151	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
Johnson, J. T.	152	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Blakslee, E. H.	153	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex1	1	1	Ex.
Burr, C. A.	154	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Grover, L. H.	155	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0
Moriarty, John.	156	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Ryan, M.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Robinson, J. N.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.
Randolph, J. S.		1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.
Millard, C. A.		1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	0	1	Ex.	0	1
Ogilvie, Jas.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1
Collins, W. L.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Carver, L. R.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fitzgerald, R. E.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Rosencranz, F.		1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Shew, Henry		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1
Ashton, C. R.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.
Herman, Sam. A.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.
Chapman, H. S.		1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex1	0	0	1	1
Arnum, Ben.		0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Archer, J. H.		0	0	0	0	0	0	Ex.	Ex1	1	1	1

E. H. Wilcox, delegate from Division No. 70, presented his credentials, no report having been received from the division. On motion of Bro. Johnstone, Bro. Wilcox was admitted.

M. T. Marchessault, delegate from Division No. 88, presented his credentials, no report having been received from the division. On motion of Bro. Cross, Bro. Marchessault was admitted.

J. G. McElroy, delegate from Division No. 98, presented his credentials, report of division received Oct. 20th. On motion of Bro. Grist, Bro. McElroy was admitted.

J. W. Mutter, delegate from Division No. 108, presented his credentials, no report having been received from the division. On motion of Bro. Coman, Bro. Mutter was admitted.

O. M. Morris, delegate from Division No. 116, presented his credentials, no report having been received from the division. On motion of Bro. Wilcox, Bro. Morris was admitted.

J. C. Campbell, delegate from Division No. 144, presented his credentials, no report having been received from the division. On motion of Bro. Rogers, Bro. Campbell was admitted.

Communication from Bro. I. F. Davidson, asking that Bro. John Mahan be allowed to act as proxy for him as permanent member, was read. Moved by Bro. Herman that the request be granted and Bro. Mahan be allowed to act as proxy for Bro. Davidson. Motion lost by the following ballot:

Ayes—Sackett, Hunn, Phipps, Parks—4.

Nays—Rexinger, Richmond, Landon, Savage, Qualtrough, Hurty, Hoadley, Unkefer, Duffy, Ingram, Bunnell, Stewart, Conlan, Hussey, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Mudgett, Flint, Howland, Sears, Cameron, W. C. Wright, Grist, Cross, York, Case, W. F. Conner, Park, German, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Wilkins, Conklin, Shute, Evans, Durbin, Simpson, Ryan, Lonergan, Ewell, Proud, Romaine, Harnest, Storm, Coman, Dillon, Bailey, Gaylord, Powell, Patterson, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Butt, Forker, Keepers, Burghardt, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Sitts, Bycraft, Demorest, Copeland, Blount, Carr, Permar, Hemperley, Carrell, Richardson, Roberts, Valentine, Kaywood, Marchessault, Randall, Goodman, Mohler, Cavanaugh, A. Johnston, McElroy, Fargo, Mansfield, Schindler, Brazee, Harris, Crane, Matlack, Mutter, Pfeffer, Clendenin, Stoddard, Horn, A. A. Conner, Morris, J. H. Gardner, Kent, Sheenan, Cass, Ketchum, Cronin, Lackey, Babcock, Cutter, Milspagh, Hammond, Adams, J. McCarthy, Bonfy, Ragland, Rice, Crawford, Loughridge, C. A. Wood, Campbell, Parks, King, Flagg, J. T. Johnson, Blakslee, Ogilvie, Laughlin, Belknap, Millard, Collins, Carver, Fitzgerald, M. Ryan, Robinson, Randolph, Chapman, Herman, Rosencranz, Ashton, Shew, Hunt, Daniels—138.

Delegates from Divisions No. 154 and 155, organized since Sept. 30th, presented their credentials. On motion of Bro. Phipps, delegates admitted.

Delegate from Division No. 84 presented his credential, no report from division. On motion of Bro. Lonergan, delegate admitted.

Delegate from Division No. 93 presented his credential, no report from the division. On motion of Bro. Wilcox, delegate admitted.

The Grand Chief Conductor appointed the standing committees as follows:

ON JURISPRUDENCE — Bros. Chapman, Ogilvie, Sears, Mohler and Harnest.

ON FINANCE — Bros. Herman, Lackey, Hurty, Cutter and J. B. W. Johnstone.

ON GRAND OFFICERS' REPORTS — Bros. Durbin, Sackett, Roberts, Simpson and Parks.

ON DIVISION REPORTS — Bros. Lonergan, Duffy, Flack, Ingram and Proud.

ON GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS — Bros. Rosencranz, J. E. McCarthy, Phipps, W. C. Wright and Wilcox.

Statement made by the Grand Secretary that owing to the impossibility of obtaining a quorum, Division No. 129 had not elected a delegate, but that Bro. F. L. Chase was present to represent them. On motion of Bro. Flack, Bro. Chase was admitted as a delegate from Division No. 129.

The Grand Chief Conductor then presented his annual report as follows:

To the Officers and Members of the Seventeenth Annual Grand Division:

We are assembled on this bright and beautiful morning for the 17th time in the history of our Order, and as I stand and view this assembly of delegates and visitors, each face beaming with interest and intelligence, I feel my inability to interest or advance such new ideas as will assist us to more successfully elevate our standing as men of our profession.

There is no nobler calling than that of a railroad conductor. There is none that requires greater display of those essential qualifications that go to make up a true man; and there is no calling that will bring out the peculiar qualities in men more fully. We are, indeed, a peculiar people, and there are few who come in contact with a greater number than our conductors, and few have a better opportunity of seeing human nature displayed in all its forms. There are temptations on every hand. Few who are not conversant with the true situation know just the position they occupy. We have heard expressions of surprise from many of our citizens when they were informed of some of the temptations to which our conductors are oftentimes subjected; and we feel that if the traveling public, citizens generally, and sometimes officers of our lines, were more fully acquainted with the lives of our men, they would be a little more charitable in their criticism. But a large majority of the people look upon them as gentlemen of leisure, who simply while away the hours riding backward and forward, visiting with ladies and gentlemen who travel. You may think this overdrawn, but it is simply a fact. How far is the reverse a fact. Trace your conductor from his home where he leaves his little family, may be well, may be sick; as he comes to the station he must acquaint himself with all orders and new facts that may effect his day's work, and when ready to start, takes his

train with the feeling that every passenger in his charge considers him legitimate prey, and feels at liberty to defraud him a thousand ways should the opportunity offer. Please ask your conductors how many ever extend their ticket without first being reminded that one was necessary? They are few. We have said nothing about the questions—they are legitimate matters, and you must answer until the passenger is satisfied that you know your business and that he or she is on the right road. If your ticket is over date, the official is terribly mean if he don't take you to your destination and pay your fare out of his own pocket. If your mileage book lacks three miles, he is a big hog for making you pay the fare. If he is not allowed to stop at your station to take on or let off passengers he is "just too awfully mean to live, there now," and in spite of it all he must be a gentleman. Isn't it a wonder that our conductors are so uniformly genial as they are? We think so, and it is of this class of men that our Order is composed, and they are the men that I have before me to-day.

There are also many things that have a tendency to embarrass our conductors in the service, and one is the continued appeals, by parties and some papers of limited ideas, to the baser prejudices of the men, endeavoring to incite discord in the service by making them feel that they have been unfairly dealt with by companies and officers. I have read many times during the year articles that were written purely to stir up strife and bolster up ideas that were as base as the minds that originated them, and in the same breath claim to be the friend of a conductor. Conductors, do your friends advise you wrong? I think not; and you will note that in each of these articles the writer betrays his ignorance of the very topic he intends to discuss. Follow this class up and you will find that they are your friends just so long as you cater to their support, and then the curtain drops and you see them in their true light—*meddlesome ignoramuses who make their living by catering to the baser prejudices of mankind*. The railroad men of this country are well represented by the various standard railway periodicals—*The B. of L. E. Journal* and *B. of L. F. Journal*, and last, but not least, our own *Monthly*. There is no need to go outside of the service for a representative, and we believe they all teach good morals, truth and justice to all, guarding the rights of all employees, and discordant words are not found in their columns. Let us then, with one accord, support the good, use every influence against the bad, that we may fully carry out the principles of our beloved Order.

We have come together in this historic city, where liberty had its birth. The soil on which this city is built was baptized with the blood of our forefathers. Just over there, but a few steps, was fought the battle of Bunker Hill. Who is there among us who has not the American pride, and feels his blood run quickly through his veins when his memory recalls these historic scenes? 'Tis but a few steps and we can stand with uncovered heads in the hall where the renowned Webster made his famous speech. And, it is in this historic city that we, the representatives of the Order of Railway Conductors, have assembled to transact the business of our Order. In those

dark days that have passed so far into history the eyes of all were upon those who were acting such a prominent part in the Nation's history. The same is none the less true to-day. The eyes of the railroad world particularly are upon you and your acts. As the acts of those heroes of '76 brought freedom, education and happiness to the American people, so we trust will the acts of this Grand Division bring freedom, education and protection to the thousands of conductors and their families all over this broad land. We, the Order of Railway Conductors, have to face a grave responsibility. We have, through a united effort built up one of the grandest protections that it has been the lot of man to witness. And now our worthy associates desire its protection. From the North, South, East and West comes the cry: "Make us eligible to receive your benefits, and let it be said of us that we fainted not when we faced the responsibility, that we acted like men when in the face of the foe."

We believe there was never a time when the duty of a Grand Division was more clearly defined than now, assembling after the closing of a year that has been the most successful of any we have ever seen, which has endorsed and verified the wisdom of the acts of our last Grand Session, when objections were made to the policy pursued by the majority of our brothers in the establishment of a *Monthly*, as it was termed, "another means of depleting our treasury." We left Kansas City with a full view of both sides of the case.

We came over here to attend our next annual meeting, and as your representative have brought back evidences of our stewardship, and the facts we will lay before you, and you shall be the judge of whether it was wise or not to take an advance position, or to advance backward into obscurity. This is an age of progress, and we must face the tide. It takes hard, earnest work, and thank God our Order has those within its membership that never rest when its interests are concerned.

DISPENSATIONS.

We have granted an unusually large number of dispensations this year, the greater number being to change time and place of meeting of divisions, elect officers to fill vacancies, and to hold special meetings to elect officers before the time specified by law. The principal dispensation being to move Division No. 25 from Ogdensburg, N. Y., to Watertown, N. Y., as the members could not attend at Ogdensburg—their lay-over being at or near Watertown.

SPECIAL DEPUTIES.

On receipt of the printed proceedings of the Sixteenth Annual Session, I found that in order to employ special deputies at a salary, I had to ask permission of the Executive Committee. This struck me as peculiar, as the law gave me that right unqualifiedly, and I could see no way that the resolution could affect a standard law. Yet I was determined to go as close to the law

as I could, and at the same time yield due deference to your wishes. On December 10th, I asked, and received soon after, permission from your Executive Committee to employ deputies when I deemed it necessary, and have done so during the year at an expense of \$490. Each bill has been sent to your Executive Committee, and had the approval of the full committee, but one, that of our late Bro. C. R. Marsh, of No. 65, who was deputized to go to Los Angeles, Cal., and got caught in a washout, and this made his bill somewhat large. There have been organized by deputies, 48 divisions, making an average expense to each of \$10.20, having organized the balance personally. Many of them were organized without expense to the Order, and to all, who this year, have in any manner assisted me in the work, I return my sincere thanks, and trust it will ever find such friends and helpers as it has for the past year. When brothers will double the road twice and ride 300 miles to organize a division of our Order, they deserve great credit. This has been repeatedly done this year, in order that we all might reap the reward.

On Monday, October 6th, I received a detailed report from Bro. L. R. Carver, who had done the portion of the deputy business assigned him during the year. The report of itself is a model. During the year he traveled 20,117 miles, organized 25 new divisions, re-organized one, 26 in all, at which meetings 379 were present and made members of our Order. Total amount of time to accomplish this work was 64 days at \$5 per day, making a total expense of \$320 paid him. There was received from his work:

Initiation and promotion fees, 379 members.....	\$ 379 00
Received on account of sale of charters and supplies.....	1,375 00
Total.....	\$1,754 00
Deduct deputy fees.....	320 00
Balance on hand in favor of the Order.....	\$1,434 00

DOES IT PAY TO EMPLOY BROTHERS TO WORK?

NEW ORGANIZATIONS.

We have during the year organized 60 new divisions, and now stand with a solid column of 153 divisions. Truly we have reason to feel encouraged in the work, when we consider that from the foundation laid in the years gone by, we, in the last four years, have raised this magnificent structure. Who is there among us that can not feel proud of our Order to-day? Is there one among the brethren here assembled that would desire to have it back, that we might organize a narrow-gauge policy? When we were told over in Kansas City, that we would bankrupt the Order this year, we then thought that it would be better to wait until there was reason to change the policy before crying Change. We were asked, "Where is the money com-

ing from?" Our answer was, from the new organizations. And we are here to-day to verify the words spoken then in full faith that they would prove true. I trust that after the experience of this year and its three predecessors, that not one brother will be found who will have the audacity to face this array of intelligence, and take the grave responsibility of, in the least, retarding our work. There are thousands knocking at our door. Shall we perfect the means to have them admitted; shall we gather them in? Methinks I hear every heart in this vast assembly echoing, Yes. And perhaps, at this time, it would be well for the benefit of our new brothers to state what is the fact, that for every dollar we have paid out for advancing the Order, we have received one in return, with good interest; from 25 divisions, 825 members and \$2,500 in debt four years ago, to 153 divisions, and a surplus in the treasury of \$4,144.68. You ask, does it pay to push the work. Look at the standing of to-day and then tell me if you feel like taking the responsibility of retarding its progress. It is too great a responsibility for any man to assume. Then let us hope that the acts of this Grand Division will be such as will give all to understand that we are to be in future, as in the past, a progressive organization. Look for example at our associates, the firemen, paying \$8,000 each year salaries to officers, and the new organizations and the *Journal* paying it. There is an example worthy of emulation by all. Let it not be said of us that we are behind them, who labor in a junior position, but let us press forward that we may take first rank as an Order, and in the service. I have appointed as deputies to assist in this work, Bros. Marsh, of 69; Belknap, of 83; Carver, of 38; Robinson, of 46; Bycraft and Pomeroy, of 73; Chase, of 40; Daniels, of 58; Wood and Millard, of 9; Rosencranz, of 52; George R. Hammond, of 35; German, of 36; and to all who have in any way assisted me in this work I tender my sincere thanks.

DECISIONS.

A large number of questions of minor importance have been asked during this year, and I do not deem it necessary to take up your time to go into detail, but will give the most important for your consideration. In answer to the brothers of some 20 different divisions, I defined that the jurisdiction clause of our Order as it now reads, gives two divisions jurisdiction over a candidate. The words "terminus of his run or where he resides," certainly implied two places, and so I decided.

In answer to questions by W. P. Daniels, Grand Secretary and Treasurer, we made the following decisions in regard to withdrawals: "When a member withdraws from the Order, he must not be given a withdrawal card, and he can only become a member of the Order again by petition, as provided in Art. 3, of the Statutes. A member holding a withdrawal card is a member of the Order, and subject to discipline by any division should he engage in the sale of liquor or violate any law.

In answer to the Grand Secretary, as to whether the sign of any degree should be given when rising to address the Chair, under the new Ritual we

decided *No*, as it was the intention of the new Ritual to do away with what we considered a very bad practice, as it educated the brethren into a habit of using them at any and all times, whether in division or lodge room of some other Order.

In answer to questions from several parties as to the eligibility clause in our Constitution, I decided that a conductor who is employed by the month as a conductor, and has been so for twelve months, can join the Order.

In answer to Division No. 56, who asked: "If a person who had run one year on surface railway, and was in the employ of the N. Y. Central Sleeping Car Co. could join our Order." Our answer was that we had always judged the company to be one and the same as the N. Y. Central Railway Co., and had the applicant served five years on a surface railway he would be eligible to join, but not in the case referred to, as the spirit of our law defines the word conductor in such a manner that it cannot be misconstrued.

In August it was brought to our notice that Star Division, No. 31, was operating an insurance association, known as the Mutual Benefit Association of Star Division, No. 31, under a separate set of by-laws from their division by-laws, and that members within the jurisdiction of other divisions were endeavoring to join No. 31 on this account. We at once asked for and received a copy of those by-laws, and by our direction the association was at once discontinued. Our views being that our laws and charter only recognize one Order and one insurance association, and any other operated under that law and charter could not be recognized and must be discontinued. The brothers of No. 31 very promptly complied with the order.

RAILWAY CONDUCTORS' MONTHLY.

In accordance with your order passed at the last Grand Session, held in Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 1st, we issued sealed proposals for the printing of our *Monthly* for one year. The following parties responded: *Burlington Harkeye* bid \$200 for first 2,000 copies; Mallahan, of Cedar Rapids, \$145 for 2,000 copies; *Lockport Union*, \$80 for 2,000 copies; *Rochester Democrat and Chronicle*, \$119.56 for 2,000 copies; *Elmira Advertiser*, \$125 for 2,000 copies; Rochester Printing Co., \$120 for 2,000 copies; *Elmira Gazette Co.*, \$100 for 2,000 copies. All parties, except the Lockport bid, specified that they would give until the 25th or later for copy. The Lockport specified it must be in on the 10th of each month. This specification made it impossible to accept their bid, and it then reverted to the bid of the *Elmira Gazette Co.* of \$100 for each 2,000 copies. After the contract was let we decided, upon consultation, to substitute paper at 80 lbs. per ream instead of 60, thus increasing the bid to \$108 for the first 2,000. We then closed with the *Gazette Co.*, of Elmira, for the printing of the *Monthly* for one year, and we have paid them monthly for the following issues, to-wit:

January, 5,000 copies, \$236 75.	Mailing January, \$10 00
Feb'y, 3,500 " 169 75	Feb'y, 7 50 100 extra, \$5.
March, 4,000 " 186 75	March, 7 50
April, 4,100 " 215 50	April, 2 50
May, 4,000 " 210 50	May, 5 00
June, 4,300 " 232 25	June, 5 00
July, 4,500 " 232 25	July,
August, 5,000 " 251 75	August,
Sept., 5,000 " 251 75	September,
October, 5,000 " 251 75	October,

Total paid for printing *Monthly* for 10 months, \$2,244.00, or an average of \$224.40 per month. It has cost us \$122.50 to wrap and mail the *Monthly* to January 1, 1885. In our March number we added eight pages on account of advertising, and since that time we have run 64 full pages. We have paid as postage on the *Monthly*, which is entered in the post office in Elmira as second-class matter, as follows:

January, 833 pounds, at 2c per pound.....	\$16 66
February, 1,040 " " "	20 80
March, 885 " " "	17 70
April, 1,140 " " "	22 80
May, 1,174 " " "	23 48
June, 1,208 " " "	24 16
July, 1,296 " " "	25 92
August, 1,362 " " "	27 24
September, 1,407 " " "	28 14

A total of \$206.80 paid for postage on *Monthly* from January 1, 1884, to October 1, 1884, or an average of \$20.68 per month. We have paid Bro. Shew for services on mailing list, and as assistant generally in the offices, from January 21, 1884, to October 20, 1884, 38 weeks at \$9 per week, \$342, which he has received monthly in full, with an addition of \$4 in August, \$4 in September and \$2 in October for care of offices, a total of \$10, making a grand total of \$352 paid him for services to the Order, which, if charged to the *Monthly*, will make a grand total expense to the Order from January 1, 1884, to October 20, 1884, of \$2,925.30.

About the 10th of May I received a letter from Bro. George J. Johnson, of Division No. 61, in regard to making our *Monthly* the organ of the Yard Master's Mutual Benefit Association, and in a few days after from Bro. J. C. Campbell, President of the same Association. I at once conferred with Bros. Defries, Daniels, Belknap and Ogilvie, my associate editors, and they were all in favor of the project, and upon June 7th I left Elmira for Atlanta, Ga., to attend their annual meeting, stopping over at Cincinnati, O., and passing a pleasant day with No. 107. At Atlanta, Ga., under the appropriate order the Executive Committee of the Yard Masters' Association recommended

the adoption of our *Monthly* as their organ. We were called on, and extended our right hand to our brother railway men, many of whom are members of our Order, offering them space in our columns, and also space for their division notices, which was accepted by a unanimous vote, and we now report the facts to you, asking that you endorse our offer to these gentlemen, and we do so believing that our interests are identical, and that we can be of great service to each other, and we believe that as soon as our stand and the value of our assistance is known, it will be the means of greatly increasing our subscription list.

Our *Monthly* was started, as you are well aware, in face of previous failures on different plans. We undertook the editorial work with many misgivings. We have given it many days and nights of faithful work and hard study. How well we have succeeded you are better judges than we are. That we have made many, very many mistakes, we are well aware. It could not be otherwise, for inexperienced as we were we had to learn, and the year has been a continued school for us. We have had the able assistance of many of the brethren, and together with the assistance of my wife, we have given you each month your *Monthly*. We hope and trust that it has been the means of assisting you in whiling away an occasional weary hour. That five of our divisions were raised directly through its influence we are certain, and it has thus, if not otherwise, been a source of benefit to our Order.

Although a financial success, it might have been made much greater had the brethren taken hold of the matter as they should. Some of our divisions condescended to order one copy, and some not any. They seemed to say, "We thought it would die, and if it won't itself we will try and kill it," not willing to try it on its merits but withhold that support that is essential to its success; but thanks to the hard-working brothers and the generous public, we can stand here to-day and inform you that it is a grand financial success. It can be made one of the strongest levers for good in the land. Shall we make it so? You must answer the question and shoulder the responsibility or share the credit.

It has been asserted as proof that the brothers were opposed to it, that a large proportion of our subscribers are those outside the Order. If this be the fact, we are sure that not one brother of our Order will be opposed to taking the nice balance we have received this year and putting it into our Grand Division treasury, and would that we could publish a book that the outside subscriptions would pay all our expenses, even though not one brother took it, would it not be a good investment?

As above stated, the contract for printing the *Monthly* for the year 1884 was awarded to the *Gazette* Company, of Elmira, N. Y. We feel proud, and justly so we believe, of the typographical appearance and make up of the *Monthly*, and we are under great obligations to Mr. R. P. Williams, the foreman in charge of the *Gazette* job room, for his kind assistance and advice. We have never had him refuse a favor—always gentlemanly and obliging, taking the greatest pains with his work, and we know that he has taken personal interest in our work and *Monthly*.

The *Gazette* Company are very desirous of continuing the contract, which they are willing to do at present figures, as long as amicable with both parties, and we are of the opinion that, located as we are, having made a grand success, we should be very careful how we make any important change in its future.

ADVERTISING.

In our January number you will find that our division notices only occupied about three pages, a two-inch ad. of Ganung filled out the space. We were furnished an ad. by the C., M. & St. P. and Wisconsin Central that took another page, and the Rockford Watch Co. the inside, and United States Mutual Insurance Co. the outside of back cover pages, which were contracted for by the year. Inside I filled with the N. C. R. ad., as I had no other place for it. In February number we added the Iowa route ad., Seneca Lake and Lehigh Valley to the free list of advertising. In March, the C., R. I. & P., C. & N.-W., with a paid ad. from Roundy & Son, contract for balance of year, and M. Barnum, two inches, two issues. In April number we added the Mo. P. system, N. Y., L. E. & W., N. Y., P. & O., C. & A., and Central Vermont, railroad ads., and Allen Business College one page balance of year. Increased Ganung to four inches, C. A. Frees two inches balance of year, and Milton H. Smith two inches, but by mistake he got four in first two issues. Perhaps I might here explain my reason for inserting the C. & A. and N. Y., P. & O. complimentary ads. They had withheld any favors for the past two years, and I thought we could perhaps induce them to give us transportation east this fall for delegates, if they had this incentive, which I am sorry to say failed in one case but was successful in the other. In May number we added a page for M. C. R., and four-inch paid ad. for St. Louis Engraving Co., reserving space for Braxmar, of New York, four-inch space, and Hart, Duff & Co., two inches. In July we ran the ads. as in June, except we dropped the Seneca Lake, Tioga and State Line ads. In August No. we added Fitchburg Railway and Watkins Glen complimentary ads., Fuller, of Rochester, two inches, and one page for Chicago Magnetic Shield Co., paid ads. for balance of year. In September No. we ran the ads. as in August, except some were condensed. In October we placed the Yard Masters' Directory in position following our directory, and we dropped from our list the N. Y., P. & O., and condensed Mo. P. and others, and inserted V., E., T. & G., A. & P. and D. & R. G. complimentary, and inserted paid ad. for Bro. Samuel F. Keller, two-thirds page, and will note that our directory occupies five pages.

We have endeavored to use good judgment in matter of our ads., but learned much that will be of service hereafter in this matter.

OFFICE.

On Dec. 5, 1883, we leased office room at 212 East Water St., in Elmira, N. Y., which we occupied until April 5, 1884, for which we paid G. M. Diven \$33.33. We then moved to our present quarters, 104 Lake St., *Gazette*

building, at a rental of \$12.50 per month, where we have two rooms. We have paid the *Gazette* Co. to Oct. 1, 1884, \$75, making a total of rent of office to Oct. 1 of \$108.33. We have fitted up the office with the following furniture, which is as good to-day, or nearly so, as when purchased, and represents nearly the same cash value:

One carpet, front office.....	\$12 34
One desk, Cutler patent.....	30 00
One desk, table top	22 00
One hat rack.....	8 00
One table, large	20 00
Six chairs for office, including desk chair.....	31 00
One Argand gas burner.....	1 65
Two window awnings.....	10 00
One couch.....	8 00
One dictionary and stand.....	10 00

A total of office furniture of \$242.99, which is now in the office and in good order. There have been added a few incidental comforts, such as broom, cuspidores, and a rack for holding our surplus copies of the *Monthly*, for which vouchers will be found among those labeled "Miscellaneous." It was of great importance to all that telephone connection be had with all points in the city, and particularly with depots and hotels, and many of the brethren who have visited us, or passed through, know that it has been a valued addition to our office. I have paid one quarter's rental from my own pocket, and have charged balance to the Order. You will find vouchers for same. You will, however, find no vouchers for the couch and dictionary, as they were my own property, and finding the need for both, at times, I transferred them to the office at the above valuation. Should your Executive Committee visit the office they will be good judges. If valued too high we will be willing to right the matter at once. The offices are located in the building in which our printing is done, and on the same floor, and it is a great convenience to us in our editorial work, saving much in valuable time; it would be hard to find a more convenient location for such work.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I deem it my duty to use the experience of the past four years in making some recommendations to you as to the future conduct of our Order. It is a noticeable fact that our divisions that pay closest attention to the law, and are careful in initiations, are the strongest and best divisions. This ought to teach us all a valuable lesson. It is also a fact that nearly three-fourths of the questions that are asked by members of our divisions are covered by the standard law of the Order, and if properly read would save the Order quite an item in postage. And I would suggest that your Grand Secretary be directed to furnish each division with at least ten copies of our law on or be-

fore November 30, so that no excuse need be made that they do not have one, as in five cases this year secretaries have written me that they have not got a revised edition of the law, and much harm has been done the Order this year by brothers being ignorant of our law. You will remember that at the sixteenth annual session, I recommended that some form be prepared to be placed in the hands of division secretaries to instruct all who secure division cards. Your Committee on Jurisprudence reported that the law covered the case. Now, my brothers, we have many practical illustrations this year that it does not, and I most respectfully suggest that our law be so amended that no member can get a card until he knows how to use it; or, that the card be thrown out entirely, for no one thing has caused me more annoyance this year than the abuse of our cards. When a brother of our Order asks a conductor (not a member of our Order), to carry him over the road on a limited train and is refused, remarks, "Well, if you were a member you would, and don't you forget it," or exhibits a card in a bar-room and crowded hotel reading-rooms, remarking that he had no need of an annual pass, I know it is time we did something to put a stop to such work, for it is injuring us more than you are aware of, and I ask you to do something that will protect the Order.

I would respectfully suggest that measures be at once taken to charter the Order in the state where the headquarters are located. This I feel the necessity of for this reason: We have a great amount of property, and it is insured in my name, but if we were burned out the company would have their option about settlement. We must take some business standing; all there is of a business standing now is the credit of its Grand Officers personally, and is it not peculiar that an Order of 6,000 members, one of the strongest in the country, has no business standing?

I would suggest the purchase at once of an improved iron safe, in which to keep the books and valuable papers of our Order. It has been long needed, but I have not felt that we could afford it until now.

I would respectfully recommend that, inasmuch as the growth of the Order has been unprecedented, and it has now become impossible to transact the business of the Order with the offices of the Grand C. C. and G. S. and T. at different places, also the extra expense of such policy is very great, that this Grand Division order the Grand C. C. and G. S. and T. to locate themselves in an office at the city where the *Monthly* shall be published. This step is necessary.

I would further recommend that the Grand Chief Conductor be empowered to employ an organizer by the year, at a stated amount, payable monthly. The duties of this official shall be to visit divisions, organize new divisions, and do any work of the Order that the Grand Chief Conductor may find necessary to have done, and to further this matter and make it permanent I respectfully suggest the following resolution: "That on or after this date the Grand Chief Conductor is hereby empowered to employ a competent brother of our Order, to whom shall be paid the sum of \$--- per year, payable monthly, and whose duty shall be to organize, visit divisions, and do

any work in the interest of the Order that the Grand Chief Conductor may find necessary. The Grand Chief Conductor shall be responsible to the Executive Committee for such employment. Said Special Deputy Grand Chief Conductor shall report to, and receive all his instructions from such officer." This step is necessary for the promotion of the work of the Order, and we firmly believe that the history of the past will verify my statement, that for every dollar we pay out in the progression of this work we are paid back four-fold. And when we take into consideration the fact, that the new work of each year for the past four years has paid for itself, and a balance besides, we can but ask, and do so confidently, that our labor will be crowned with success, and that for the amount paid to this brother we will reap a benefit that will more than pay the way of the Order. It is a fact, I believe, apparent to all, that we must have this work done, and we must perfect means to do it.

It is not a new thing to the older members of our Grand Division to have the welfare of those members of our Grand Division brought up who are unable to follow their usual avocation of train conductor, and we have from year to year made such provisions as we could for their relief, but in no case has it been such as would grant that relief permanently, or place the brother in a position to feel independent and able to take care of himself. It is my opinion that as fast as these cases come to our notice we should take some measures at once to afford, not temporary, but permanent relief. The case I more particularly refer to is that of our worthy Bro. Hy Shew.

Bro. Shew came into the office as my assistant, in January last, and since that time has been employed there on the small salary of \$9 per week. In August it was raised \$1 on account of care of office. There had been no appropriation made to employ such help, but after consulting Bros. Defries, Daniels, Ryan, Robinson, Long, Belknap, Ogilvie and others, I decided to ask him to come and enter the service. He has performed his duty well, when able, has done me good service, and during the period above specified has almost taken the entire charge of the mailing list of the *Monthly*. I do not believe the Order will ever regret the amount paid for such service, nor do I, if it had been double what it is.

During the year I have taken the advice of three of our most successful physicians, and although they differ somewhat in theory, yet all advise that it is detrimental to occupy an office daily with one who is afflicted with lung or bronchial trouble. And in view of all the facts in the case, as Bro. Shew has been obliged to forego the comforts of family and home—living alone in the world, so to speak—and I know this must be terrible to one who is in as poor health as our good brother, and is at any time liable to be taken sick, and thereby being deprived of his salary and perhaps the very comforts of life, I would respectfully suggest that this Grand Division direct your Committee on Jurisprudence to draw up an address to the brothers of our Order, requesting them within 60 days to contribute whatever they desire to relieve our brother, and start him in some light business. With this start, and the assistance of his two sons, (aged 11 and 13 years,) I am sure he will

be placed in an independent position—placed where he rightly belongs, so that he need not feel dependent on the charity of any association or order from day to day. I commend this to your earnest, careful consideration.

We would respectfully recommend that the * * * be remodeled—that it be made 4 inches longer, and seat 3 inches higher. We think all have seen the necessity of this during the past year, and that necessary canvas be furnished with each * * * furnished to a division, and all be directed not to use at all unless together.

We would respectfully recommend that the Grand Chief Conductor, or some other brother of our Order, be directed to prepare at once a Digest, giving points of law, decisions, and all points bearing on that law. We believe this is essential, inasmuch as not one of our new divisions are at all conversant with the acts of our Grand Division back two years, and there are some of their acts that are the law of to-day, and the sooner they are informed the better it will be for all concerned.

I would further recommend that the charter members to form new divisions be limited to 20 in each case. One of the great evils of our system now is, our large charter lists. They generally increase the chances of getting in bad men, and your Grand officers cannot control the matter as it now stands. We are obliged to accept whatever is offered on charter list, if no one interferes.

I would suggest that this Grand Division (in order to throw a stronger safeguard around our privileges) direct the brothers to remove any property of the Order when found in the hands of those who cannot prove title to it. We have repeatedly given an opinion that they have a right to, and some of the brothers questioned it. I know that our privileges are being abused from day to day. Let us put a stop to it as far as we can.

I would recommend the passage of a resolution legalizing the election of officers by all divisions held prior to September 25, as I am sure many have been held, without dispensation, before the legal time.

ABUSE.

I, with my associate Grand Officers, have been subjected during this whole year, to the most venal abuse of a paper called the *Railroader*, edited by a man known as Leflet. This sheet has lost no opportunity to belittle the efforts of your Grand Officers and injure the discipline of our Order, and controvert the respect due grand officers of any body, more particularly that due from as intelligent a body as the Order of Railway Conductors, and we give for the benefit of all, not for our own vindication, but that all may know the position the Order was forced into by this journalistic vulture. At Buffalo the *Railroader* was made the official organ of our Order, upon earnest solicitation of its editor. Twice, and I think three times during the year, our Grand Secretary was asked to advance funds to carry it on, which was done, and its editor has stated that it never paid in any sense until the Order made it its official organ, and gave it support. During the year several objection-

able articles appeared in the columns set apart for our Order. When at St. Paul, the question of making it the official organ again came up. Objections were made to it on account of the articles above referred to by brothers of our Order, who are in this room now, and on motion, a committee was sent out to interview this man. The feeling in our Grand Division was almost unanimous in favor of retaining it. The committee reported their interview to the Grand Division, and this man Leflet sent in his manifesto, which was read, and the sentiment changed in a moment, and during the discussion that followed we were the only one that spoke in his favor, but by, we believe, a unanimous vote, decided that we wouldn't have it as an organ, and the remarks by more than one good brother on that floor would have convinced Leflet, had he been there, that *they* considered it an insult whether he did or not. What was the duty of a presiding officer under these circumstances? To stand by the action of the Order. Again, at last session, a resolution passed, that the Order discountenance that paper on account of its insults, and the duty of a presiding officer was again plain to me, and I have plainly stated the position of the Order on all occasions when I could do so. And because we have carried out your acts, we have been subject to the jeers of this creature. One of our divisions even sends to the *Railroader* sets of resolutions of respect ordered published in our *Monthly*. We have never yet had the copy of them to publish, and they were written after the death of a brother that would in no case let his name appear in that sheet if he knew it. And now I ask this Grand Division to put themselves on record in no uncertain way, that will give all men to understand that we are no consort of loafers and vagabonds of any class, and that the Order of Railway Conductors does not belong to any one man, but to the whole Order.

BITUARY.

While we are here in the full enjoyment of life and its blessings, there are those of our number that are absent, and as we look about us in the short year that has passed, we see vacant chairs on every hand. Our divisions, many of them, have been called upon to mourn the loss of those who in life and health have many times assembled around our altar in the communion of our division; but to this Grand Division there has come a loss that we all feel. During the year two of our good brothers, one who was at one time a member, and the other since 1872 always a member. I refer to our late brothers, Long and Marsh. They need no introduction to you. Their acts are engraven on the records of our Order, and the loss to this Grand Division of Bro. Long particularly has been great. A noble-hearted worker, a genial gentleman, an honored brother; quick to comprehend and prompt to act, he had built up a warm friendship in this Order that few brothers can boast of. But he is gone, and the lesson should come home to this Grand body with all its force. One year ago with us, vigorous and well, to-day absent, and I can but stand and wonder who, in the year we have just entered upon, will be called. It may be you or me. No one can tell. Let us then with

one accord "*prepare for the great change when the pleasures of this world shall be but as poison to our lips, and the recollection of a well spent life afford our only consolation.*"

We shall miss Bro. Long, for he has always been our adviser. Our success to-day is in a measure due to his clear foresightedness. His memory will live fresh and green in the hearts of all who have ever met him. Let us all so live that when the dread messenger comes we will hear the blessed words, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into perfect rest."

We would suggest the appointment of an appropriate committee to draft suitable resolutions of respect and condolence to be engrossed and presented to his bereaved widow, whom SO MANY OF US DEEPLY SYMPATHIZE WITH.

CONCLUSION.

An now, brothers, our year's work is nearly done; our report will soon be added to that of our preceding years of service, and the structure of 1883-84 stand complete. We have worked hard. That success has crowned our efforts we are sure. If we have been successful in making 2,500 conductors, and with them their loved ones, eligible to receive our benefits, we are satisfied that there is a reward for us beyond this world of slights and jeers, and the consciousness of a duty well done must fill every brother who has in any way assisted in accomplishing this grand result. Let us hope and trust that in the years to come we will continue to grow and strengthen until we absorb all that is good in this life.

That I have made mistakes I am sure, but I am stimulated by the thought that they were errors of the head and not of the heart. I would have done more if I could, but have many times laid down my pen discouraged to take it up again and go forward with renewed vigor, and I present you my fourth annual report with feelings of pride when I look back over these four years and view the structure we have builded. The secret of this, my brothers, is that we have worked. We have had no internal dissensions. All have acted as brethren ought. And let us, who are to-day assembled, pledge ourselves anew to carry on the work from this day with a greater degree of earnestness than ever before. We have, during the year, traveled over 20,000 miles. We have attended union meetings in the States of Iowa, Wisconsin, Illinois and New York, and visited forty of our divisions, organizing thirteen and attended to the work of the office of Grand Chief Conductor and edited your *Monthly*. There has been received and answered from our office during the year over 4,500 letters, and I do not feel able to undertake as much another year as this, and I most respectfully ask that you take from off my shoulders the responsibility of going out to organize divisions of our Order. I will be glad to go out to State Union Meetings when the work will permit.

I shall always be glad while in your employ to work for your best interests and that of the whole Order. Any measures you may adopt I shall carry out to the best of my ability, and I only ask that when you have adopted a line of policy that you sustain me when doing your bidding as an executive officer.

You very kindly, at the 16th annual meeting, gave me 30 days leave of absence. I have taken eight, and, as you are aware, no provision was made to supply the place when absent, so I was obliged to work at night to catch up. I have given you three hundred and sixty-six days' work, and many nights during the year. Those who have often visited your office can testify to the amount of work that we have labored with this year. I desire to return my sincere thanks for the uniform kindness which I have received at your hands, and hope and pray that each succeeding year may add to our cause for rejoicing at this, and as we assemble around this altar to leave this room, that we may leave it with a full consciousness of having performed our whole duty to God, our neighbor, ourselves and our Order.

EXPENSE OF OFFICE.

The expense of office is proportionately smaller than last year, but it is larger than we intended, as you will note by accompanying book, that nearly one-sixth was made after October 1, and on account of issue of so many circulars of information to the brothers, and made necessary on account of changes in hotel accommodations and Fitchburg Railway.

GRAND DIVISION O. R. C., TO C. S. WHEATON. DR.

To expense of office, October 20, 1883, to October 20, 1884 (see accompanying book for items).....\$295 02

Inventory develops the fact that we have now about \$25 worth of circulars, stationery and ink on hand.

Yours in P. F.,

C. S. WHEATON, G. C. C.

Referred to Committee on Grand Officers' Reports.

Minutes read and approved and Grand Division closed at 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 2:30 P. M.

Present, [see roll, pages 639, 640 and 641].

Delegate from Division No. 137 presented his credential. No report from the division. On motion of Sitts, delegate admitted.

The Grand Secretary and Treasurer then presented his annual report, as follows:

BOSTON, Mass., Oct. 21st, 1884.

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers:

Another year of unparalleled success has rewarded our labors since we last met in annual session, and we bring to you on this first day of the

seventeenth regular session of the Grand Division reports, which show without comment, that our every effort has been successful.

Your Grand Chief Conductor having given a full and detailed report for the year, I will not detain you by a repetition, but pass immediately to the particulars of the office I have endeavored to fill

DELINQUENT REPORTS.

Ten divisions were delinquent with their reports last year; of these all but two were received before the close of the session, that of Div. No. 90 was received Nov. 17th, and that of Div. No. 92, Dec. 26th. The new divisions that were delinquent were in a measure excusable, but of the old divisions but a single one, No. 12, had a valid excuse for not being on time, nearly all contenting themselves with merely saying, "I thought I would wait and send by the delegate." Now, brothers, if you think the division reports are not needed until the delegate arrives, change the law and do not require your Grand Secretary to give you information contained in those reports before he receives them.

The reports of the following divisions for the year ending Sept. 30th, 1884, have not been received: No. 84, November 3; No. 88, November 5; No. 93, November 15; No. 116; No. 129; No. 137, November 3; No. 144; No. 149, November 15.

The reports of the following divisions for the year ending Sept. 30th, 1884, have been received, but not until after the time required by law, Oct. 10th: No. 70, October 21; No. 98, October 20; No. 108, October 21; No. 146, October 21.

INSURANCE.

Our Insurance Association has shared to some extent in the general prosperity of the Order, though it has yet less than half the number of members it should have.

There has, however, been a steady increase of membership during the year, as also a decrease in the ratio of forfeitures. On assessment No. 25, 8 out of 451 forfeited; No. 26, 23 out of 580; No. 27, 23 out of 582, and No. 28, 21 out of 585—about $1\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. on No. 25, 4 per cent. on Nos. 26 and 27, and $3\frac{3}{8}$ per cent. on No. 28, an average of a little over $3\frac{1}{4}$ per cent. on the four assessments; a better showing than heretofore, but not what it should be. It has been asserted that the increase in the insurance comes principally from the *new* divisions. There are in 60 new divisions 167 members, in 93 old divisions 1018 members.

There has been paid during the year, to

Mrs. Wm. Davey, for death of Bro. Davey, of Div. No. 9. .	\$422 00
Mrs. Rosa Linz, for death of F. Linz, of Div. No. 31.	443 00
R. B. Thrasher, for death of Frank Thrasher, of Div. No. 43. .	580 00
Mrs. C. Jackson, for death of Bro. Jackson, of Div. No. 27. .	574 00
Mrs. Thos. Joyce, for death of T. J. Joyce, of Div. No. 22. . .	554 00
Mrs. Helen Marsh, for death of C. R. Marsh, of Div. No. 65. .	1,030 00

Total. \$3,603 00

Number of Members Sept. 30th, 1883. 504

Number joined during the year. 723

Total. 1,227

Number of deaths during the year. 6

Number of forfeitures. 36

Total. 42

Number of members Sept. 30th, 1884. 1,185

Paid into the Grand Treasury for 723 ins. certs. issued. . . . \$361 50

On hand for payment of next benefit. 1,273 50

One benefit having just been paid to Mrs. Marsh, there is but one on hand until assessment No. 29 is paid.

Explanatory of the seeming discrepancy between the total number of forfeitures on the four last assessments being 75 and the total number of certificates forfeited during the year being but 36. Many of the members above have been delinquent on two or three assessments, thus the assessments showing two or more forfeitures while but *one* certificate has been forfeited.

THE RAILWAY CONDUCTORS' MONTHLY.

It is hardly necessary for me to refer to the unparalleled success of the *Monthly*; suffice to say it has been self-sustaining from the start. There are now on the books 4,636½ paid subscriptions, and if *all* the expenses of organizing new divisions during the year be charged to the *Monthly*, there is still a handsome balance on the right side of the ledger. Without further comment I will allow the figures, which are as follows, to speak for themselves:

Total number of subscriptions to Sept. 30th, 4,636½, amount-	
ing to.	\$5,795 30
Received for extra copies.	2 25
Total amount received and due for advertising.	533 65
Total to credit of <i>Monthly</i>	\$6,331 20

Total cost of <i>Monthly</i> , January to September inclusive.....	\$2,876 06
Cost for October to December inclusive, estimated.	840 00
Total estimated cost for the year.....	<u>\$3,716 06</u>
Leaving a net profit of.....	\$2,615 14

Subscriptions are still coming in, and if members do their duty the subscription list will go to 15,000 during the coming year.

GENERAL SUMMARY.

The following table shows the standing and progress of the Order:

Number of divisions Sept. 30th, 1883.....	93
Number of divisions organized during the year.....	<u>60</u>
Number of divisions Sept. 30th, 1884.....	153
Number of reports received Oct. 10th, 1884.....	143
Number of divisions delinquent with reports.....	10
Number of members Sept. 30th, 1883.....	3,298
Number of members promoted in 143 divisions reported....	<u>2,675</u>
Total.....	5,973
Number of members deceased as per 143 reports.....	27
Number of members suspended as per 143 reports.....	111
Number of members expelled as per 143 reports.....	<u>52</u>
Total.....	190
Number of members in 143 divisions reported.....	5,859
Number of members in 10 divisions that are delinquent with reports (estimated).....	<u>250</u>
Total number of members Sept. 30th, 1884.....	6,109

In the above table the total number of members Sept. 30th, 1884, is obtained by assuming that the membership of the ten divisions that are delinquent with their reports averages 25 each.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I wish to emphatically endorse the recommendation of the Grand Chief Conductor for the provision of a suitable safe for the preservation of the books and records of the Order. It would be an irreparable loss to the Order if the records of the two principal offices should be destroyed. I would further recommend that you appropriate a sufficient sum for the purchase of suitable safes, and that your Grand Chief Conductor and Grand Secretary be authorized to make the purchase.

I also fully endorse the recommendation of your Chief, that the Order be incorporated or chartered in some state and the offices of the Grand Chief Conductor and Grand Secretary be located there.

Without further remark I present my cash account, as follows :

1883		Dr.	Cr.
October 1	To cash on hand.....	\$1,530 58	
" 1	" for 8 cards.....	2 00	
" 1	By cash for printing, Voucher 176.....		\$51 00
" 1	" for 50 Division Ledgers, Voucher 177.....		71 50
" 1	" for eng. plate & p't'g cards, Vou. 178.....		65 00
" 1	To cash from Division 73.....	13 75	
" 1	" " 61.....	2 25	
" 1	" " 42.....	40 25	
" 1	" " 38.....	6 00	
" 1	" " 66.....	1 25	
" 3	" " 81.....	22 00	
" 3	" " 11.....	37 75	
" 3	" " 87.....	22 00	
" 3	" " 63.....	28 75	
" 3	" " 44.....	81 75	
" 3	" " 67.....	5 50	
" 3	" " 84.....	7 50	
" 3	" " 65.....	2 00	
" 4	" for four credentials.....	4 00	
" 4	from Division 66.....	12 95	
" 4	" " 27.....	6 75	
" 4	" " 25.....	10 00	
" 4	" " 26.....	40 50	
" 4	" " 72.....	21 75	
" 4	" " 52.....	11 25	
" 4	" " 10.....	11 75	
" 4	" " 49.....	6 50	
" 5	" for 26 cards.....	6 50	
" 5	from Division 31.....	64 25	
" 5	" " 28.....	28 00	
" 5	" " 62.....	15 25	
" 5	" " 9.....	62 00	
" 5	" " 24.....	23 00	
" 5	" " 18.....	29 50	
" 5	" " 22.....	52 00	
" 5	" " 39.....	7 00	
" 5	By cash for 200 3c stamps.....		6 00
" 6	To cash for one credential.....	1 00	
" 6	" for one Division Ledger.....	3 00	
" 6	from Division 64.....	18 50	

1883			Dr.	Cr.
October 6	To cash from Division 2		\$100 00	
" 8	" for 17 cards		4 25	
" 8	" from Division 31		1 00	
" 8	" " 32		2 00	
" 8	" " 94		40 00	
" 8	" " 46		81 50	
" 8	" " 70		24 50	
" 8	" " 56		17 00	
" 8	" " 85		9 00	
" 8	" " 41		31 25	
" 8	" " 77		18 00	
" 8	" " 59		35 00	
" 8	" " 68		15 00	
" 8	" " 48		18 50	
" 8	" " 89		19 00	
" 8	" " 21		23 50	
" 8	" " 57		12 30	
" 8	" " 7		37 00	
" 8	" " 79		17 50	
" 8	" " 75		17 00	
" 8	" " 33		22 25	
" 12	" for 12 cards		8 00	
" 12	" from Division 78		52 00	
" 12	" " 76		40 00	
" 12	" " 80		40 00	
" 12	" " 13		80 00	
" 12	" " 82		52 00	
" 12	" " 83		40 00	
" 12	" " 77		20 00	
" 12	" " 91		55 00	
" 12	" " 88		40 00	
" 12	" " 86		52 00	
" 12	" " 92		40 00	
" 12	" " 95		20 00	
" 15	" " 54		32 75	
" 15	" " 50		18 75	
" 15	" " 29		27 75	
" 15	" " 37		12 75	
" 15	" " 53		92 75	
" 15	" " 12		10 00	
" 15	" " 39		9 00	
" 15	" " 8		5 85	
" 15	By cash for stationery for Grand Div			\$9 90
" 16	To cash from Division 69		42 15	
" 16	" " 30		18 50	
" 16	" " 14		14 00	

1883			Dr.	Cr.
Octob.	16	To cash from Division 15.....	\$ 7 15	
"	16	" " 17.....	12 90	
"	16	" " 21.....	7 00	
"	16	" " 22.....	11 00	
"	16	" " 40.....	27 00	
"	16	" " 13.....	13 75	
"	16	" " 41.....	14 00	
"	16	" " 54.....	8 25	
"	16	" " 52.....	12 50	
"	16	" " 57.....	50	
"	16	" " 62.....	11 75	
"	16	" " 83.....	8 00	
"	16	" " 36.....	15 00	
"	16	" " 1.....	20 25	
"	16	" " 3.....	6 50	
"	16	" " 14.....	5 00	
"	16	" " 55.....	36 50	
"	16	" " 25.....	1 00	
"	16	" " 76.....	2 00	
"	16	By cash for hall rent, Voucher 179.....		\$ 70 00
"	16	" for telegraphing about transp.....		14 85
"	16	" for Order No. 8, Voucher 180.....		625 00
"	16	" for Order No. 11, Voucher 181.....		35 00
"	16	" for Order No. 10, Voucher 182.....		276 00
"	16	" for Order No. 10, Voucher 183... ..		1,000 00
"	20	To cash from Division 89.....	40 00	
"	20	" " 71.....	40 00	
"	20	" " 50.....	40 00	
"	20	" " 56.....	40 00	
"	20	" " 95.....	20 00	
"	20	" " 9.....	29 00	
"	20	" " 41.....	40 00	
Nov.	1	" for 16 cards.....	4 00	
"	3	" from Division 90.....	6 50	
"	3	" from Division 60.....	44 00	
"	3	By cash for badges, Voucher 184.....		250 00
"	3	" for case and ink ribbon for type- writer, Voucher 185.....		8 50
"	6	To cash from Division 98.....	20 00	
"	5	" for 12 cards.....	3 00	
"	7	" from Division 9.....	2 75	
"	8	By cash for 4 seals, Voucher 186.....		11 00
"	8	To cash from Division 97.....	40 00	
"	8	" from Division 61.....	1 00	
"	8	" from Division 38.....	1 00	
"	8	" from Division 14.....	31 00	

1883		Dr.	Cr.
Nov.	10	By cash for stamps and envelopes, Vouch. 187.	\$48 90
"	10	" for Order 12, Voucher 188.....	8 60
"	10	" for Order 13, Voucher 189.....	5 00
"	10	To cash for 20 cards.....	\$ 6 00
"	15	" for 2 cards.....	50
"	15	" from divisions.....	13 35
"	15	By cash Voucher 190.....	148 80
"	19	To cash from divisions.....	16 25
"	20	" for 7 cards.....	1 75
"	25	" for 30 cards.....	7 50
"	25	" from divisions.....	45 25
"	25	By cash for stamps, etc., Voucher 191.....	41 00
"	27	To cash for one card and from divisions.....	22 25
Dec.	10	" for 12 cards.....	3 00
"	10	" from divisions.....	45 75
"	10	" from 108 subscriptions to <i>Monthly</i>	135 00
"	12	" for cards, etc.....	4 00
"	13	By cash for Voucher 192.....	102 00
"	13	" for photos and fees for copyright of Division Card and Jan'y <i>Monthly</i> ...	8 00
"	14	To cash for 153 subscriptions.....	191 25
"	14	" from Division 82.....	2 00
"	15	" from nine subscriptions.....	11 25
"	15	" for 10 cards.....	2 50
"	15	By cash for six ins. certificates for Divs. 9 & 85.	15 00
"	18	To cash for 52 subscriptions.....	65 00
"	18	" for cards, etc.....	3 00
"	19	" for 66 subscriptions.....	82 50
"	20	By cash for Voucher 193.....	11 00
"	20	" for books, etc.....	18 75
"	20	To cash for 210 subscriptions.....	262 50
"	20	" from divisions.....	49 00
"	21	" for 47 subscriptions.....	53 75
"	21	" from Division 77.....	27 50
"	24	" for 127 subscriptions.....	158 75
"	24	" from Division 103.....	20 00
"	25	" for 142 subscriptions.....	77 50
"	25	" from divisions.....	4 25
"	26	" sundries.....	7 65
"	26	" for 26 subscriptions.....	32 50
"	27	By cash for telegrams.....	1 70
"	27	" 2 ins. certificates, Divisions 9 and 90.	5 00
"	27	To cash for 132 subscriptions to <i>Monthly</i>	165 00
"	29	" for 118 subscriptions to <i>Monthly</i>	147 50
"	29	" from divisions.....	29 50
"	29	By cash for P. O. Order for <i>Monthly</i>	20

		Dr.	Cr.
1883			
Dec.	29	By cash telegrams and drayage for Dec.	
"	31	To cash for seven subscriptions to <i>Monthly</i> ...	\$8 75
"	31	" from Division 13	2 50
"	31	By cash for P. O. Order for <i>Monthly</i>	08
"	31	" for Voucher 194.....	15 00
1884			
Jan.	1	To cash from divisions.	90 75
"	1	" for 52 subscriptions to <i>Monthly</i>	65 00
"	2	By cash for Order 14, Voucher 198.....	71 00
"	2	" for Order 15, Voucher 199.....	14 38
"	2	" for Order 16, Voucher 200.....	17 00
"	2	" for Order 17, Voucher 201.....	367 00
"	2	" for Voucher 196.....	9 25
"	2	" for Voucher 195.....	394 25
"	2	" for exp. charges on pkg. from Div. 4.	20
"	2	To cash for 74 subscriptions to <i>Monthly</i>	92 50
"	2	" from Division 19.....	2 50
"	3	" from Division 105.....	40 00
"	3	" for 37 subscriptions to <i>Monthly</i>	46 25
"	3	By cash for Voucher 197.....	542 25
"	3	" for copyrighting <i>Monthly</i> from February to December.....	11 00
"	5	To cash for 55 subscriptions to <i>Monthly</i>	68 75
"	5	" from Division 20.....	41 25
"	9	By cash for Order 18, Voucher 202.....	351 37
"	9	To cash for 103 subscriptions to <i>Monthly</i>	128 75
"	9	" from divisions.....	95 23
"	10	" from divisions.....	125 50
"	10	" from 92 subscriptions to <i>Monthly</i>	115 00
"	10	By cash for telegrams.....	1 50
"	10	" P. O. Order from E. B. Hunt.....	45
"	11	To cash for 326 subscriptions to <i>Monthly</i>	407 50
"	11	By cash for Voucher 203.....	32 50
"	12	" for Voucher 204.....	12 75
"	12	" for 1,000 postal cards.....	10 00
"	15	To cash from divisions.....	132 50
"	15	" for 31 subscriptions.....	38 75
"	15	" for cards, etc.....	12 85
"	19	" cards.....	4 25
"	19	By cash for 4 ins. certificates, Division 9.....	10 00
"	19	To cash for 93 subscriptions.....	176 25
"	19	" from divisions.....	60 25
"	19	By cash for express charges.....	1 80
"	20	" for Order 19, Voucher 205.....	500 00
"	20	" for Order 21, Voucher 206.....	258 00
"	23	To cash for 142 subscriptions	175 00

1884			Dr.	Cr.
Jan.	23	To cash from divisions.....	\$ 81 75	
"	23	" for cards, etc.....	2 75	
"	24	" from divisions.....	35 25	
"	24	" for 81 subscriptions.....	101 25	
"	25	" for cards, etc.....	4 00	
"	25	By cash for express charges on 3 packages...		\$ 0 65
"	26	" title page <i>Monthly</i> , Voucher 207.....		105 00
"	26	" iron for 24 cars, Voucher 209.....		148 80
"	26	" for Order 20, Voucher 208.....		50 00
"	28	To cash from divisions.....	34 25	
"	28	" for 63½ subscriptions.....	79 40	
"	30	" for cards, etc.....	3 50	
Feb.	1	" for cards, etc.....	50	
"	1	" for 79 subscriptions.....	98 75	
"	1	" from divisions.....	87 75	
"	1	By cash for express charges on 2 packages...		40
"	1	" for telegrams and drayage, Jan.....		9 30
"	2	To cash from divisions.....	127 00	
"	2	" for 48 subscriptions.....	60 00	
"	2	" for cards, etc.....	2 25	
"	2	By cash for Voucher 210.....		102 00
"	4	To cash from Division 43.....	10 00	
"	4	" for 47 subscriptions.....	58 75	
"	7	By cash for Order 22, Voucher 213.....		217 66
"	7	" for Voucher 211.....		18 00
"	7	" for Voucher 212.....		131 75
"	7	" for Orders 23 and 24, Voucher 214...		208 33
"	7	" for Voucher 215.....		2 15
"	7	To cash from divisions.....	398 40	
"	7	" for 417 subscriptions.....	521 25	
"	7	" for cards, etc.....	8 50	
"	11	" for cards, etc.....	4 00	
"	11	By cash for Voucher 216.....		12 10
"	11	To cash from divisions.....	11 25	
"	11	" for 40 subscriptions.....	50 00	
"	12	" for 20 subscriptions.....	25 00	
"	12	" for sundries.....	25 25	
"	12	By cash for 1 ins. certificate, Division No. 9..		2 50
"	12	" for Postal Guide.....		2 00
"	12	" charges on 4 postal orders.....		20
"	13	To cash from divisions.....	43 75	
"	13	" for 20 subscriptions.....	25 00	
"	13	" for 1 card.....	25	
"	15	" for supplies.....	4 25	
"	15	By cash Voucher 217.....		3 00
"	15	" Voucher 218.....		156 54

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Feb.	16	To cash from divisions, etc.....	\$65 75	
"	16	" from 26 subscriptions.....	32 50	
"	16	By cash for telegrams, etc.....		\$1 75
"	18	To cash for cards, etc.....	4 25	
"	21	" for cards, etc.....	7 00	
"	21	By cash express charges, Voucher 219.....		1 25
"	21	To cash for 25 subscriptions.....	31 25	
"	22	" for 1 subscription.....	1 25	
"	22	" for cards.....	1 00	
"	23	" for 22 subscriptions.....	27 50	
"	23	" for cards.....	50	
"	26	" for cards, etc.....	4 15	
"	27	" from divisions.....	50	
"	27	" for 28 subscriptions.....	35 00	
"	27	" for cards, etc.....	3 75	
"	27	By cash for 1,000 postal cards.....		10 00
"	28	To cash for 4 subscriptions.....	5 00	
"	28	" for cards.....	1 00	
March,	4	" for cards.....	1 00	
"	4	By cash Voucher 220.....		30 00
"	4	To cash from divisions, etc.....	72 00	
"	4	" from 82 subscriptions.....	102 50	
"	5	" from W. J. Jackman.....	1 00	
"	8	" from divisions.....	36 50	
"	8	" for 52 subscriptions.....	65 00	
"	8	" for cards, etc.....	7 00	
"	8	By cash Voucher 221.....		22 30
"	10	To cash from Division 18.....	1 00	
"	10	" for 10 subscriptions.....	12 50	
"	10	" for cards.....	75	
"	10	By cash for 3 ins. certificates, Divs. 9 and 85,		7 50
"	13	" Voucher 223.....		258 95
"	13	" Voucher 222 and part of 223.....		255 90
"	13	To cash from divisions, etc.....	102 50	
"	13	" for 18 subscriptions.....	22 50	
"	13	" for cards, etc.....	1 00	
"	14	By cash for 1 insurance certificate, Div. 9....		2 50
"	14	To cash for 12 subscriptions.....	15 00	
"	14	" from divisions.....	114 75	
"	15	" for cards.....	4 75	
"	18	" for 8 subscriptions.....	10 00	
"	20	" from divisions, etc.....	85 75	
"	20	" for 8 subscriptions.....	10 00	
"	20	" for cards.....	8 50	
"	20	" from divisions, etc.....	4 75	
"	20	" for 2 subscriptions.....	2 50	

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March	20	To cash for 139 insurance certificates.....	\$64 50	
"	20	By cash for 1 subscription for Division 66 ...		\$1 25
"	20	" for express charges, etc.....		35
"	21	To cash for 14 subscriptions.....	17 50	
"	21	" for cards.....	50	
"	21	By cash for 2 insurance certificates, 85.....		5 00
"	22	To cash for cards.....	1 00	
"	22	" for 3 subscriptions.....	3 75	
"	22	" from divisions.....	18 00	
"	24	" for 25 subscriptions.....	31 25	
"	24	" from divisions, etc.....	48 25	
"	24	By cash for telegrams.....		8 80
"	26	To cash for 38 subscriptions.....	47 50	
"	26	" from divisions, etc.....	24 25	
"	26	By cash Voucher 224.....		8 75
"	26	" Voucher 225.....		45 00
"	26	" telegram to C. S. W.....		50
"	28	" 2 insurance certificates, Division 9..		5 00
"	28	To cash for cards, etc.....	10 25	
"	28	" for 4 subscriptions.....	5 00	
"	28	" from divisions, etc.....	76 25	
"	29	" for 2 subscriptions.....	2 50	
April	1	" for 17 subscriptions.....	21 25	
"	1	" from divisions.....	4 00	
"	1	" for cards.....	2 25	
"	4	" for cards, etc.....	4 25	
"	4	" for 3 subscriptions.....	3 75	
"	4	" from divisions, etc.....	98 00	
"	5	" for cards.....	75	
"	5	" from divisions, etc.....	80 75	
"	5	" for 17 subscriptions.....	21 25	
"	5	By cash Voucher 226.....		34 75
"	10	To cash for cards, etc.....	16 50	
"	10	" from divisions.....	14 20	
"	10	" for 38 subscriptions.....	47 50	
"	12	" for card, etc.....	3 00	
"	12	" from divisions, etc.....	31 75	
"	12	" for 12 subscriptions.....	15 00	
"	12	By cash Voucher 227.....		15 00
"	15	To cash for cards, etc.....	7 00	
"	15	" from Division 100.....	25	
"	15	" for 16 subscriptions.....	20 00	
"	17	" from divisions.....	75 00	
"	17	" for 16 subscriptions.....	22 50	
"	17	" for cards, etc.....	4 10	
"	17	By cash Voucher 228.....		26 00

1894			Dr.	Cr.
April	20	To cash for cards, etc.....	\$ 1 25	
"	20	" for 16 subscriptions.....	20 00	
"	20	" from Division 51	3 00	
"	21	" sundries	85 90	
"	22	" for cards.....	1 75	
"	22	" from divisions, etc	18 00	
"	22	" for 5 subscriptions.....	6 25	
"	24	" for cards, etc.....	3 00	
"	24	By cash sundry, including Voucher 229.....		\$ 5 45
"	26	To cash for cards.....	1 50	
"	28	By cash Vouchers 230 to 237 inclusive.....		1208 63
"	28	" Voucher 238.....		19 00
"	28	To cash from divisions, etc.....	16 00	
"	28	" for 6 subscriptions.....	7 50	
"	30	" from divisions, etc	25 75	
"	30	" for 10 subscriptions	12 50	
May	1	By cash balance on 1 ins. certificate, Div. 57,		1 75
"	1	To cash for division cards, etc.....	5 75	
"	1	" from Division 114	55 00	
"	1	" for 2 subscriptions.....	2 50	
"	1	By cash Voucher 239 to 242 inclusive.....		534 58
"	3	To cash for 7 subscriptions.....	8 75	
"	3	" from divisions, etc.....	86 00	
"	5	" for cards.....	2 75	
"	6	" from divisions.....	101 25	
"	6	" for 11 subscriptions.....	13 75	
"	8	To cash from divisions	28 50	
"	8	" for 10 subscriptions.....	12 50	
"	8	" for cards, etc.....	10 50	
"	8	By cash, Voucher 243.....		22 20
"	8	" for drayage, April.....		2 75
"	10	To cash for cards.....	4 25	
"	12	" "	1 75	
"	12	By cash 2 ins. certs. Div. No. 9.....		5 00
"	12	To cash from Division No. 4.....	37 50	
"	13	" for 5 subscriptions.....	6 25	
June	7	" for cards, etc.....	28 50	
"	9	" from divisions, etc....	323 75	
"	9	" for 57 subscriptions.....	71 25	
"	9	" for 4 subs. for 7 months.....	3 00	
"	9	" from Gazette Co.....	2 50	
"	9	By cash, Voucher 244 to 250 inclusive.....		676 56
"	10	" telegrams May 15 to June 9.....		10 45
"	10	To cash for cards, etc.	5 50	
"	12	By cash 4 ins. certs. Div. No. 9.....		10 00
"	12	" Divisions 56 and 66.....		3 75

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June	12	To cash for cards.....	\$1 00	
"	15	" for cards, etc.....	3 00	
"	16	By cash, Vouchers 251 and 252.....		\$28 50
"	16	" telegrams to date.....		3 50
"	16	" drayage for May.....		1 50
"	16	" for 1,000 postal cards.....		10 00
"	16	To cash for 16 subscriptions.....	20 00	
"	16	" for 1 subscription for 10 mos.....	1 00	
"	16	" from Divisions.....	110 00	
"	20	" for cards, etc.....	11 05	
"	20	" from divisions, etc.....	226 50	
"	20	" for 11 subscriptions.....	13 75	
"	20	By cash, Voucher 253.....		16 75
"	25	To cash for cards, etc.....	7 25	
"	26	" from divisions.....	81 50	
"	26	" for 76 subscriptions.....	95 00	
July	1	" for cards.....	75	
"	4	" ".....	11 00	
"	5	By cash, drayage for June.....		1 50
"	5	" Voucher 254.....		37 00
"	5	" telegrams.....		3 10
"	7	" Vouchers 255 to 260 inclusive.....		563 49
"	7	To cash for cards, etc.....	4 00	
"	7	" from divisions.....	236 75	
"	7	" for 48 subscriptions.....	60 00	
"	8	" from divisions.....	28 75	
"	8	" for 17 subscriptions.....	21 25	
"	10	" for cards, etc.....	11 25	
"	14	By cash, Vouchers 261 to 264 inclusive.....		106 66
"	15	" Voucher 265.....		55 65
"	15	To cash for cards, etc.....	16 25	
"	16	" from divisions.....	129 00	
"	16	" for 23 subscriptions.....	28 75	
"	18	" for cards, etc.....	103 50	
"	19	By cash divisions for 8 ins. certs.....		20 00
"	21	To cash from divisions.....	72 50	
"	21	" for 12½ subscriptions.....	15 65	
"	21	" for cards.....	2 50	
"	21	By cash, Vouchers 266 to 268 inclusive.....		318 83
"	25	To cash for cards, etc.....	8 75	
"	25	" from divisions.....	136 50	
"	25	" for 60 subscriptions.....	75 00	
"	28	" for 4 subscriptions.....	5 00	
"	28	" from divisions, etc.....	163 00	
"	28	" for cards.....	2 25	
"	28	By cash, ink ribbon for type writer.....		1 00

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July	28	By cash for rubber bands.....		\$ 1 25
"	30	" Vouchers 269 to 273 inclusive.....		493 21
"	30	To cash from Division 34.....	\$ 4 75	
"	30	" for 14 subscriptions.....	17 50	
August	2	" from divisions.....	140 65	
"	2	" for 17 subscriptions.....	21 25	
"	2	By cash, Voucher 274.....		3 40
"	2	To cash for cards, etc.....	12 50	
"	4	" for cards, etc.....	7 00	
"	4	" for 1 subscription.....	1 25	
"	7	" for cards, etc.....	7 75	
"	7	" for 12 subscriptions.....	15 00	
"	7	By cash 3 ins. certs. Divs. 51 and 66.		7 50
"	7	" Voucher 275.....		9 35
"	7	" drayage for July.....		3 25
"	7	To cash from divisions.....	88 75	
"	10	" for cards.....	2 00	
"	12	" for cards.....	1 75	
"	12	By cash 4 ins. certs. Divs. 50, 52 and 85.....		10 00
"	12	" Vouchers 276 to 279 inclusive.....		143 75
"	12	To cash from divisions, etc.....	41 25	
"	12	" for 5 subscriptions.....	6 25	
"	15	" for cards.....	7 25	
"	20	" from divisions, etc.....	169 75	
"	20	" for 7 subscriptions.....	8 75	
"	20	" for cards, etc.....	13 25	
"	20	By cash 5 ins. certs. Divs. 2, 37, 50 and 55....		12 50
"	20	To cash from divisions.....	75 00	
"	20	" for 3 subscriptions.....	3 75	
"	22	By cash, Voucher 280 and 281.....		79 25
"	22	To cash from divisions.....	43 50	
"	22	" for 14 subscriptions.....	17 50	
"	22	" for cards, etc.....	19 00	
"	22	" from Division 52.....	5 00	
"	25	" for cards.....	50	
"	27	" for cards.....	4 25	
"	27	By cash 2 ins. certs. Div. 51.....		5 00
"	27	To cash from divisions, etc.....	68 75	
"	27	" for 16 subscriptions.....	20 00	
"	28	" for cards, etc.....	4 25	
"	30	" for cards, etc.....	1 75	
"	30	" for 21 subscriptions.....	26 25	
"	30	" from divisions.....	46 00	
"	30	By cash, Vouchers 282 to 288 inclusive.....		1,171 07
Sept.	1	To cash for cards, etc.....	5 00	
"	3	" for cards, etc.....	2 75	

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Sept.	3	To cash from divisions.....	\$21 75	
"	3	" for 19 subscriptions.....	23 75	
"	3	By cash 1 ins. cert. Div. 52.....		\$ 2 50
"	3	" Vouchers 289 and 290.....		230 75
"	5	To cash from divisions, etc.....	267 75	
"	5	" for 16 subscriptions.....	20 00	
"	8	" for cards.....	5 75	
"	10	" from divisions.....	42 75	
"	10	" for 28 subscriptions.....	35 00	
"	10	" for cards.....	1 00	
"	12	" for cards.....	1 75	
"	12	By cash, Vouchers 291 and 292.....		20 40
"	15	To cash for cards.....	4 25	
"	18	" for cards, etc.....	5 50	
"	18	By cash, Vouchers 293, 294 and 295.....		712 5
"	18	To cash from sundries.....	41 20	
"	18	By cash 1 ins. cert. Div. 50.....		2 50
"	20	To cash, sundries.....	15 50	
"	22	" 1 credential.....	1 00	
"	22	" sundries.....	285 50	
"	22	By cash, Voucher 296.....		2 00
"	24	" for 6 ins. certs. Nos. 3, 5 and 11....		15 00
"	24	To cash for cards, etc.....	8 50	
"	24	" sundries.....	650 75	
"	27	" for cards, etc.....	12 00	
"	27	By cash for 2 ins. certs. Divs. 51 and 52.....		5 00
"	27	" Voucher No. 297.....		15 00
"	27	To cash, sundries.....	247 00	
"	30	" for 17 subscriptions.....	21 25	
"	30	" 105 ins. certs. to date.....	52 50	
"	30	By cash, Vouchers 298 and 299.....		25 50
"	30	" for drayage during Sept.....		2 75
"	30	To cash, sundries.....	1,278 95	
"	30	By cash on hand.....		4,172 93
			<u>\$18,222 86</u>	<u>\$18,222 86</u>

Total expenditures, all sources.....\$14,049 93

On hand.....4,172 93

Total.....\$18,222 86

There is furniture, blanks, books, etc., in the office of the
cash value of.....\$2,750 00

In the office of G. C. C.....242 99

Total.....\$2,992 99

Which, with cash on hand at the close of the year. 4,172 98
 Makes a total of.....\$7,165 92

All of which is respectfully submitted.

Yours truly in P. F.,

WM. P. DANIELS, G. S. and T.

Report referred to Committee on Grand Officers' reports.

The Insurance Committee then presented their report by Grand Chief Conductor Wheaton, as follows :

To the Grand Officers and Delegates of the Seventeenth Annual Session of the Grand Division O. of R. C.:

BROTHERS — We, your Insurance Committee, respectfully present our report, regretting that such an act is necessary. Your committee have had presented for approval the claims mentioned in your Grand Secretary's report as being paid, and the requisite proofs being furnished they were promptly approved, and in each case, except one, the claim was paid within thirty days from the death of the brother.

We desire to congratulate you upon the success of this branch of our Order, and we earnestly ask that all give this matter of insurance their hearty co-operation.

We have been called upon to make the following decision in answer to a question asked by the Grand Secretary, Bro. W. P. Daniels:

Wm. P. Daniels, Esq., Grand Secretary and Treasurer, Cedar Rapids, Iowa :

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER — As we view the case presented by your question, "Does a disability claim date from the time of disability or from the date of approval by committee?" See Article 15, page 494, Insurance Laws. "*No disability claim can be paid until proven to be permanent.*" The committee have no knowledge of any claim until duly filed for their approval, and any member who withholds his disability claim, takes his own chance as to whether the amount is more or less than that on any specified date. Any member is entitled to one dollar for each member in our insurance at the date of approval by the committee, providing in no case it should exceed \$2,000, as provided in Article 16, page 494, Insurance Laws.

We would respectfully recommend that no change be made in our present form of Insurance Laws, except the pending amendments, firmly believing that with proper attention and support we have one of the best insurances in existence. All of which is respectfully submitted by yours in P. F.

C. S. WHEATON,
 C. A. MILLARD,
 E. O. SOULE,
 Committee.



CARROLL AMBROSE MILLARD.

Insurance Committee.

Referred to Committee on Grand Officers' Reports.

Moved by Bro. Webster, that Rule 4 of the Special Rules of the Order be suspended, and that sessions be held from 9:15 A. M. to 12:00 M. and from 2:30 to 5:45 P. M.

By Bro. Richardson, to amend to make daily sessions from 9:00 A. M. to 12:30 P. M. and from 2:30 to 6:00 P. M.

Question on amendment lost.

Question on original motion lost.

The Executive Committee then presented their report by Bro. Ryan, chairman, as follows :

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the Seventeenth Grand Division, O. of R. C. :

BROTHERS — In submitting our annual report we must first congratulate you upon the remarkable success of our Order during the year just closed, and although no serious troubles have arisen which have required the special convening of the Executive Committee, yet some grave questions have been presented, but being unable to get at the facts in the cases, have not as yet rendered our decision.

The following official acts of your Executive Committee have been performed by request of our G. C. C. At a meeting held at Elmira, December 1, 1883, for the purpose of opening the several bids for printing of *Monthly*, a majority of your committee was present and found everything conducted in a satisfactory manner.

Rendered our decision in case of Bro. Daniels and Division No. 1, February 20, 1884. Papers on file with Grand Secretary.

Bill of Bro. L. R. Carver for services as Deputy, October 1, 1883, to January 1, 1884. Approved January 20, 1884.

Bill of Bro. L. R. Carver for services as Deputy, January 1 to April 1, 1884. Approved April 15, 1884.

Bill of Bro. Marsh for services as Deputy. Approved June 15, 1884.

Bill of Bro. L. R. Carver for services as Deputy, April 1 to July 1, 1884. Approved July 15, 1884.

Bill of Bro. L. R. Carver as Deputy, July 1 to September 1, 1884. Approved August 29, 1884.

Bill of C. A. Millard as Deputy, September 24, 1884, and October 21, 1884. Approved October 21, 1884.

Bill of C. A. Wood as Deputy, September 14, 1884, two days, and September 28, 1884, three days. Approved October 21, 1884.

On May 8, 1884, complying with Section 1, Article 4, of the Constitution, the books of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer were examined with the following results :

To the C. C. and Brothers of — — — — Division No. — — .

Agreeable to Article 4, Section 1, of the Constitution, your Executive Committee appointed our worthy Bro. E. O. Soule, of Valley City Division,

No. 58, to inspect the books and records of the G. S. and T., and we fraternally submit the following statement :

Cash on hand October 1, 1883.....	\$ 1,530 58
Receipts to May 3, 1884.....	10,292 33
Total.....	<u>\$11,822 91</u>

Paid out for <i>Monthly</i>	\$1,597 06
Paid out for other expenses.....	7,695 97
	<u>— — — \$9,293 03</u>
Cash on hand	\$2,529 88

The amount expended for *Monthly* includes the *May* number.

In amount of "other expenses," over \$2,000 was for expenses of last fiscal year.

Salary of G. C. C. paid up to May 20th, and of G. S. and T. to April 20th of this year.

There was on May 3d, 3,790 subscribers to <i>Monthly</i> —show-	
ing receipts from <i>Monthly</i>	\$4,737 50
Due from advertisers.....	395 50
Total.....	<u>\$5,133 00</u>

We must congratulate the Order upon the gratifying success of our *Monthly*. Launched upon the sea of literature on January 1st, it now sails its course into 4,000 welcome ports. Under its most able management it worthily takes its place among magazines of the highest class. Each number is replete with literary gems, and as a work of the Order it is at all times interesting and instructive. It is no longer an experiment, but a pronounced success, and while we congratulate, we would suggest to the brethren to bear in mind that continued success means continued labor, and it is hoped that the labor will be so well performed that volume second will go forth to 10,000 subscribers.

The very flattering condition of the entire Order at this time, is also a matter for congratulation. Never, since its organization, has it been more flourishing. During the past year about thirty-five new divisions have been organized and more are getting ready. At this time we number an unbroken column from 1 to 125. It has been well and truly said, "the experiment of a paid executive has proved most successful."

On June 1st there were about 800 members on our insurance and many coming in. We are pleased to say that the membership has nearly doubled in the past year and, while it is not as large as it should be (for it should embrace every member of the Order), it shows that the brethren are beginning to realize the fact that they have within the Order the very best insurance possible—safe, sure and cheap.

In conclusion, brethren, we would say that by courage, energy and perseverance our Order has been placed in such a position that it stands to-day honored and respected wherever known, and we would urge upon all members to ever bear in mind that it is their duty to see that there is no derogation from the high standing it has attained.

Thus will we ever command the honor and respect of all.

Yours in P. F.,

M. RYAN, Chairman,
J. S. RANDOLPH,
J. N. ROBINSON,
Executive Committee.

We earnestly recommend that this Grand Division permanently locate the office of the G. C. C. and G. S. and T. at some central point. Our reason for this is in order to obtain a charter for this organization.

We also have great reason to congratulate you on the marked increase in the membership and the grand success of the magazine; also the large increase of members in the insurance.

All of which we respectfully submit for your consideration.

M. RYAN, Chairman,
J. S. RANDOLPH,
J. N. ROBINSON.

Referred to Committee on Grand Officers' Reports.

Under call of divisions, the following was presented and referred as noted:

Resolution No. 1, by Bro. Rexinger, to Committee on Jurisprudence. No. 2, by Bro. Hurty.

Moved by Bro. Herman that the order of business be suspended for action on Resolution No. 2. Lost by the following ballot:

Ayes—Landon, Parker, Qualtrough, Sackett, Hurty, Hoadley, Ingram, Bunnell, Hunn, Douglass, Stewart, Rogers, Phelps, Mudgett, Howland, Cameron, W. C. Wright, Grist, York, Case, W. F. Conner, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Wilkins, Conklin, Durbin, Simpson, Ewell, Proud, Romaine, Harnest, Storm, Dillon, Bailey, Powell, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Burghardt, Sitts, Copeland, Murray, Blount, Permar, Hemperley, Carroll, Richardson, Roberts, Valentine, Kaywood, Marchessault, Randall, Fargo, Mansfield, E. Hamilton, Brazee, Harris, Matlack, Mutter, Pfeffer, Clendenin, Horn, J. H. Gardner, Kent, Cass, Cronin, Milspaugh, Collins, M. Ryan, Herman, Rosencranz, Ashton, Shew—87.

Nays—Rexinger, Richmond, Kick, Savage, Unkefer, Duffy, Conlan, Hussey, Potter, Flint, Sears, Cross, Park, German, Phipps, Shute, Evans, J. F. Ryan, Lonergan, Coman, Gaylord, Patterson, Willott, Fitzmorris, Butt, Forker, Keepers, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Webster, Bycraft, Dem-

orest, Carr, Freeman, Lewis, Goodman, Mohler, Lovejoy, Shipman, Cavanaugh, A. Johnston, McElroy, Schindler, Crane, Stoddard, T. J. Wright, A. A. Connor, J. E. McCarthy, Sheehan, Ketchum, Lackey, Babcock, Cutter, Hammond, Chase, J. McCarthy, Bonfy, McClure, Rice, Loughridge, King, Flagg, Ogilvie, Laughlin, J. D. Hamilton, Carver, Fitzgerald, Robinson, Randolph, Chapman, Daniels — 71. Not the necessary two-thirds voting in the affirmative.

Resolution No. 3, by Unkefer, to Committee on Jurisprudence.

"	"	4,	"	Ingram,	"	"
"	"	5,	"	Bunnell	"	"
"	"	6,	"	Hunn,	"	"
"	"	7,	"	Hussey,	"	"
"	"	8,	"	Potter,	"	"
"	"	8, 9, 10, 11 & 12	by	Potter,	"	"
"	"	13,	by	Cameron,	"	"
"	"	14,	"	W. C. Wright,	"	"
"	"	15,	"	Cross,	"	"
"	"	16,	"	Cross,	"	"

Moved by Collins, that order of business be suspended for action on Resolution No. 16, as follows:

WHEREAS, At the last session of this Grand body, a resolution was passed whereby a monthly journal or magazine was ordered published to be called *The Railway Conductors' Monthly*, to be edited by the Grand Chief Conductor and four (4) associate editors, and

WHEREAS, It has been run almost a year, and been almost exclusively patronized by outsiders. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That it is an unnecessary luxury, and of no benefit to the Order at large, as it does not reach that class of men which we are anxious to bring the Order before, as well as consuming the time of our Grand Chief Conductor, who should be in the field working up and visiting divisions, and we fail to see wherein any good will be derived from it, and

Resolved, That the contract now in force for this year be allowed to run out December 31st, 1884, and the magazine abolished after that date.

Motion adopted by the following ballot:

Ayes — Rexinger, Landon, Savage, Parker, Hurty, Hoadly, Unkefer, Bunnell, Hunn, Douglas, Hussey, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Mudgett, W. C. Wright, Case, Park, Phipps, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Wilkins, Conklin, Shute, Durbin, Simpson, Lonergan, Romaine, Harnest, Storm, Coman, Dillon, Bailey, Gaylord, Powell, Patterson, Willott, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Butt, Forker, Keepers, Bycraft, Demorest, Copeland, Murray, Blount, Carr, Permar, Hemperley, Freeman, Carrell, Richardson, Lewis, Roberts, Kaywood, Marchessault, Randall, Mohler, Lovejoy, Shipman, A. Johnston, McElroy, Fargo, Mansfield, Schindler, Harris, Crane, Matlack, Mutter, Pfeffer, Clen-

denin, Stoddard, T. J. Wright, A. A. Connor, J. E. McCarthy, J. H. Gardner, Cass, Ketchum, Cronin, Lackey, Babcock, Cutter, Milspaugh, Hale, Hammond, Adams, J. McCarthy, Ragland, McClure, C. A. Wood, Campbell, Parks, J. T. Johnson, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Laughlin, Belknap, Millard, Collins, Fitzgerald, M. Ryan, Robinson, Randolph, Chapman, Herman, Rosencranz, Ashton, Shew, Hunt—113.

Nays—Richmond, Kick, Qualtrough, Sackett, Duffy, Ingram, Stewart, Conlan, Howland, Sears, Cameron, Grist, Cross, York, W. F. Conner, German, Evans, J. F. Ryan, Ewell, A. H. Gardner, Burghardt, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Webster, Valentine, Goodman, Cavanagh, E. Hamilton, Brazee, Horn, Kent, Sheehan, Chase, Bonfy, Rice, Crawford, Loughridge, King, Flagg, Ogilvie, Carver, Daniels—42. Two-thirds voting in the affirmative.

Moved by Wilkins, that resolution be laid on the table. Lost.

By Rogers, that resolution be adopted.

By Evans, that the question of adoption of resolution be made a special order for 3:00 P. M., Wednesday, 22d. Lost.

Motion to adopt resolution lost by the following ballot:

Ayes—Cross—1

Nays—Rexinger, Richmond, Kick, Landon, Savage, Parker, Qualtrough, Sackett, Hoadley, Hurty, Unkefer, Duffy, Ingram, Bunnell, Hunn, Douglas, Stewart, Conlan, Hussey, Sears, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Mudgett, Flint, Howland, Cameron, W. C. Wright, Grist, York, Case, W. F. Conner, Park, German, Phipps, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Wilkins, Conklin, Shute, Evans, Durbin, Simpson, J. F. Ryan, Lonergan, Ewell, Proud, Romaine, Harnest, Storm, Coman, Dillon, Bailey, Gaylord, Powell, Patterson, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Butt, Forker, Keepers, Burghardt, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Webster, Bycraft, Demorest, Copeland, Murray, Blount, Carr, Permar, Hemperley, Freeman, Carrell, Richardson, Lewis, Roberts, Valentine, Kaywood, Randall, Marchessault, Goodman, Mohler, Lovejoy, Shipman, Cavanagh, A. Johnston, McElroy, Fargo, Mansfield, E. Hamilton, Schindler, Brazee, Harris, Crane, Matlack, Mutter, Pfeffer, Clendenin, Stoddard, T. J. Wright, Horn, A. A. Connor, J. E. McCarthy, J. H. Gardner, Kent, Sheehan, Cass, Ketchum, Cronin, Lackey, Babcock, Cutter, Milspaugh, Hale, Hammond, Chase, Adams, J. McCarthy, Bonfy, Ragland, McClure, Rice, Crawford, Loughridge, C. A. Wood, Campbell, Parks, King, Flagg, J. T. Johnson, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Ogilvie, Laughlin, Belknap, J. D. Hamilton, Millard, Carver, Collins, Fitzgerald, M. Ryan, Robinson, Randolph, Chapman, Herman, Rosencranz, Ashton, Shew, Hunt, Daniels—156.

Resolutions Nos. 17, 18 and 19, by Cross, to Committee on Jurisprudence. Minutes read and approved. Grand Division closed at 5:30 P. M.

MORNING.

WEDNESDAY, October 22, 1884.

Grand Division opened at 9:30 A. M. Present, [see roll, pages 639, 640 and 641].

Call of divisions continued, and the following introduced and referred as noted:

No. 20,	by German,	to Committee on Jurisprudence.		
" 21,	" Phipps,	"	"	"
" 22,	" Phipps,	"	"	"
" 23,	" Phipps,	"	"	"
" 24,	" Bowers,	"	"	"
" 25,	" Bowers,	"	"	"
" 26, 27,	" Pennock,	"	"	"
" 28,	" Wilkins,	"	"	"
" 29,	" Conklin,	"	"	"
" 30,	" Simpson,	"	"	"
" 31,	" J. F. Ryan,	"	"	"
" 32,	" Proud,	"	"	"
" 33,	" Proud,	to Committee on Grievances and Appeals.		
" 34,	" Harnest,	to Committee on Jurisprudence.		
" 35,	" Dillon,	"	"	"
" 36,	" Bailey,	"	"	"
" 37,	" Patterson,	"	"	"
" 38,	" Willott,	"	"	"
" 39,	" Gardner, A. H.,	"	"	"
" 40,	" Fitzmorris,	"	"	"
" 41,	" Forker,	"	"	"
" 42, 43 and 44,	by Sitts,	"	"	"
" 45,	by Webster,	"	"	"
" 46,	" Murray,	"	"	"
" 47,	" Blount,	"	"	"
" 48,	" Carr,	"	"	"
" 49,	" Permar,	"	"	"
" 50,	" Kaywood,	"	"	"
" 51,	" Mohler,	"	"	"
" 52,	" Mansfield,	"	"	"
" 53,	" E. Hamilton,	"	"	"
" 54,	" Schindler,	"	"	"
" 55,	" Matlack,	"	"	"
" 56,	" T. J. Wright,	"	"	"
" 57,	" A. A. Connor,	"	"	"
" 58,	" Kent,	"	"	"
" 59,	" Sheehan,	"	"	"
" 60,	" Hale,	"	"	"
" 61,	" J. H. Gardner,	to Committee on Grievances and Appeals.		

- No. 62, by J. McCarthy, to Committee on Jurisprudence.
 " 63, " King, " "
 " 64, 65, " Richmond, " "
 " 66, " Qualtrough, " "
 " 67, " Qualtrough, to Committee on Grievances and Appeals.
 " 68, 69, " Daniels, to Committee on Jurisprudence.
 " 70, " Chapman, " "
 " 71, " Forker, " "

Call of division closed.

Under unfinished business, Resolution No. 3, of the sixteenth session, was taken up.

Moved by Fitzgerald, that resolution be adopted.

By Daniels, to refer to Committee on Jurisprudence. Lost.

By Cutter, to lay on table until permanent location of the offices of the Order is determined. Adopted.

By A. H. Gardner, to re-consider vote on adoption of motion to lay on table. Adopted.

By Collins, to refer to Committee on Jurisprudence. Adopted.

On final adoption of amendment to Article 7, of the Statutes, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That Section 3, Article 7, of the Statutes, be amended by adding the words, "Providing such application be made before the close of the fiscal year following that in which the division became defunct." To take effect and be in full force on and after its final passage.

Amendment adopted by the following ballot:

Ayes--Rexinger, Richmond, Kick, Landou, Savage, Parker, Qualtrough, Sackett, Hurty, Hoadley, Duffy, Ingram, Bunnell, Douglass, Stewart, Conlan, Hussy, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Mudgett, Flint, Howland, Sears, Cameron, Vadney, W. C. Wright, Grist, Cross, York, Case, W. F. Conner, Park, German, Phipps, Bowers, Pennock, Flack, Wilkins, Conklin, Shute, Evans, Durbin, Simpson, J. F. Ryan, Lonergan, Ewell, Proud, Romaine, Harnest, Storm, Dillon, Bailey, Gaylord, Powell, Patterson, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Forker, Keepers, Burghardt, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Sitts, Webster, Bycraft, Demorest, Copeland, Murray, Blount, Carr, Permar, Hemperley, Freeman, Carrell, Richardson, Lewis, Roberts, Valentine, Kaywood, Randall, Goodman, Mohler, Lovejoy, Shipman, Cavanagh, Hinkley, McElroy, Fargo, Sullivan, Mansfield, E. Hamilton, Schindler, Brazee, Harris, Crane, Matlack, Pfeffer, Clendenin, Stoddard, T. J. Wright, Horn, J. E. McCarthy, Morris, J. H. Gardner, Kent, Sheehan, Cass, Ketchum, Lackey, Babcock, Cutter, Milspaugh, Hammond, Chase, J. McCarthy, Stockdale, C. L. Wood, Ragland, McClure, Rice, Riggs, Crawford, C. A. Wood, Campbell, Parks, Toms, King, Flagg, J. T. Johnson, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Ogilvie, Laughlin, Belknap, Millard, Collins, Carver, Fitzgerald, M. Ryan, Robinson, Chapman, Herman, Rosencranz, Ashton, Shew, Hunt, Daniels, Arnum, Defries—154.

Nays—A. A. Conner—1. Two-thirds voting in the affirmative.

Minutes read and approved.

Grand Division closed at 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 2:30 P. M.

Present, [see roll, pages 639, 640 and 641].

On final adoption of amendment to Section 6, Article 5, of the Statutes, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That Section 6, Article 5, of the Statutes, be amended by inserting after the word "division," in the second line, the words, "Provided such an appeal is taken before the end of the fiscal year following that in which the decision appealed from is made." Amendment to take effect and be in force on and after its final passage.

Amendment adopted by the following ballot:

Ayes—Rexinger, Richmond, Kick, Landon, Savage, Parker, Qualtrough, Sackett, Hurty, Hoadley, Unkefer, Duffy, Ingram, Bunnell, Hunn, Douglass, Stewart, Conlan, Hussey, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Mudgett, Flint, Howland, Cameron, W. C. Wright, Vadney, Grist, York, Case, W. F. Conner, Park, German, Phipps, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Wilkins, Conklin, Shute, Evans, Durbin, Simpson, J. F. Ryan, Lonergan, Ewell, Proud, Romaine, Harnest, Storm, Coman, Dillon, Bailey, Gaylord, Powell, Patterson, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Butt, Forker, Keepers, Burghardt, Wilcox, Sitts, Webster, Bycraft, Demorest, Copeland, Murray, Blount, Carr, Permar, Hemperley, Freeman, Carrell, Lewis, Roberts, Valentine, Marchessault, Randall, Goodman, Mohler, Lovejoy, Shipman, Cavanagh, Hinkley, A. Johnston, McElroy, Fargo, Sullivan, Mansfield, E. Hamilton, Schindler, Harris, Crane, Matlack, Mutter, Pfeffer, Clendenin, Stoddard, T. J. Wright, Horn, A. A. Connor, J. E. McCarthy, Morris, J. H. Gardner, Kent, Sheehan, Cass, Ketchum, Cronin, Lackey, Cutter, Milsbaugh, Hale, Chase, Adams, J. McCarthy, Ragland, McClure, Rice, Riggs, Crawford, Loughridge, C. A. Wood, Campbell, Parks, King, Flagg, J. T. Johnson, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Ogilvie, Laughlin, Belknap, Millard, Collins, Carver, Fitzgerald, M. Ryan, Robinson, Chapman, Herman, Ashton, Shew, Hunt, Daniels, Arnum, Defries—154.

Nays—0. Two-thirds voting in the affirmative.

On final adoption of amendment to Section 3, Article 1, of Statutes, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That Section 3, Article 1, of the Statutes, be amended by striking out the number "24" and inserting the number "10." Amendment to take effect and be in force on and after its final passage.

Amendment adopted by the following ballot:

Ayes—Rexinger, Richmond, Kick, Landon, Savage, Parker, Qualtrough, Sackett, Hurty, Hoadley, Unkefer, Duffy, Ingram, Bunnell, Hunn, Douglass, Stewart, Conlan, Hussey, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Mudgett, Flint, Howland, Cameron, Vadney, W. C. Wright, Grist, Cross, York, Case, W. F. Conner, Park, German, Phipps, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Wilkins, Conklin, Shute, Evans, Durbin, Simpson, J. F. Ryan, Lonergan, Ewell, Proud, Romaine, Harnest, Storm, Coman, Dillon, Bailey, Gaylord, Powell, Patterson, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Butt, Forker, Keepers, Burghardt, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Sitts, Webster, Bycraft, Demorest, Copeland, Murray, Blount, Carr, Permar, Hemperley, Freeman, Carrell, Richardson, Lewis, Roberts, Valentine, Kaywood, Marchessault, Randall, Goodman, Mohler, Lovejoy, Shipman, Cavanagh, Hinkley, A. Johnson, McElroy, Fargo, Sullivan, Mansfield, E. Hamilton, Schindler, Crane, Harris, Matlack, Mutter, Pfeffer, Clendenin, Stoddard, T. J. Wright, Horn, A. A. Connor, J. F. McCarthy, Morris, J. H. Gardner, Kent, Sheehan, Cass, Ketchum, Adams, Cronin, Lackey, Cutter, Milspaugh, Hale, Hammond, Chase, J. McCarthy, Ragland, McClure, Rice, Riggs, Crawford, Loughridge, C. A. Wood, Campbell, Parks, Toms, King, Flagg, J. T. Johnson, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Ogilvie, Laughlin, Belknap, Millard, Collins, Carver, Fitzgerald, M. Ryan, Robinson, Chapman, Herman, Rosencranz, Ashton, Shew, Hunt, Daniels, Arnum, Defries—160.

Nays—0. Two-thirds voting in the affirmative.

Special order for Resolution No. 2, of the sixteenth session. Resolution referred to Committee on Jurisprudence by consent.

Communication read from conductors on railways entering Boston, asking for a charter for a second division in the city.

Moved by Herman that charter be granted.

By Grist, to amend by adding, "with the consent of Division No. 122."

By Hurty: *Be it Ordered*, That the matter of the petition from conductors on the Old Colony and other railways, for a charter for a division at Boston, be referred to a committee of five, which committee shall make due inquiry and report as to whether, in their opinion, it is for the best interests of the Order to grant a charter for a second division in Boston, and they are hereby directed to report not later than the first session of this Grand Division, Friday, October 24th.

Moved by Hurty to substitute for motion of Bro. Herman. Substitute accepted by general consent.

On motion of Chapman, adopted.

Grand Chief Conductor appointed as committee provided for, Bros. Hurty, Evans, Stewart, Forker and Patterson.

The Committee on Grand Officers' Reports then presented their report, as follows:

*To the Officers and Members of the Seventeenth Session Grand Division Order
Railway Conductors :*

We, your committee on Grand Officers' Reports, beg to submit the following:

1st. As suggested by the Grand Chief Conductor, we recommend that the Grand Secretary be ordered to furnish each division ten copies of our law, on or before November 30th, 1884.

2d. And also that the matter pertaining to division cards be referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

3d. In regard to having our Order chartered, we deem it advisable and recommend it be done as soon as possible.

4th. We concur in the suggestions to purchase, for the use of the Order, an improved iron safe.

5th. That it is for the best interests of the Order that the offices of Grand Chief Conductor and Grand Secretary and Treasurer be located in the same city.

6th. We respectfully desire to bring to the attention of this Grand Division the plan of dividing the territory into ten districts, and for each district the Grand Chief Conductor shall appoint a deputy who shall have charge of said district, subject to the orders of the Grand Chief Conductor. They shall be paid the sum of \$5 per day while in actual service in the interests of the Order. We offer the above as a substitute for the recommendation of the Grand Chief Conductor to employ an organizer.

7th. We concur in the recommendation of the Grand Chief Conductor that the Committee on Jurisprudence be instructed to draw up an address to the brothers of our Order, requesting them, within 60 days, to contribute whatever amount they may desire to give for the relief of our worthy Bro. Shew, and to start him in some light business.

8th. We also concur in the following recommendations, that the * * * be re-modeled; that it be made four inches longer and seat three inches higher.

9th. That the Grand Chief Conductor, or some brother of the Order, be directed to prepare at once a digest, giving points of law, decisions, and all points bearing on that law.

10th. That the charter members to form new divisions be limited to twenty in each case.

11th. The passage of a resolution legalizing the election of officers by all divisions held prior to Sept. 24th.

12th. To direct the brothers to remove any property of the Order when found in the hands of those who cannot prove title to it.

13th. While your committee does not approve of some acts of the editor of *The Railroader*, we believe any action regarding this matter by this Grand Division is not advisable.

14th. We recommend that a committee be appointed to draft suitable resolutions of respect to the memory of our deceased brothers, Long and Marsh.

15th. We recommend that the bill of our Grand Chief Conductor for \$295.02, office expenses for the year, be allowed and an order drawn for this amount.

16th. Your committee having thoroughly examined the accounts and reports of Bro. C. S. Wheaton for the past year, are convinced that our choice of a Grand Chief Conductor at the 16th annual session, at Kansas City, was a wise one. His work for the Order has been conducive of much good, and while many of our brothers would have been pleased to meet him in their division rooms, an examination of his work will satisfy them of the impracticability of leaving his business at the office to do more visiting. A recommendation of your committee (if concurred in by Grand Division) will admit of his doing more field work and visiting during the coming year.

17th. At the 16th annual session of the Grand Division, a leave of absence for thirty days was voted him. Your committee recommend that a like leave of absence be tendered him this year, to be taken at his option.

18th. Your committee beg leave to submit the following: We recommend an appropriation of \$---- for clerical expense for office of Grand Chief Conductor and editor *R. C. Monthly*, \$----- for extra expense of Grand Chief Conductor incurred in visiting and organizing divisions. The object sought by these additional appropriations is to offer inducements and opportunities for Grand Chief Conductor to personally do as much organizing as possible instead of employing an organizer.

19th. GRAND SECRETARY AND TREASURER'S REPORT.—Your committee have examined the reports of your Grand Secretary and Treasurer and find them correct. We would say further, that Bro. Daniels' vouchers were so well arranged that our task was an easy one, and the manner in which his reports were made out clearly demonstrates a thorough knowledge of his duties. Having heard his report read, you well know that commendations from your committee as to his ability is superfluous. We recommend the adoption of his report as read.

20th. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.—We recommend that the report of this committee be accepted and approved.

21st. INSURANCE COMMITTEE'S REPORT.—We fully endorse the report of this committee.

All of which we respectfully submit.

W. J. DURBIN,
Chairman,
ORANGE SACKETT,
L. W. ROBERTS,
GENTHER PARKS,
THOMAS R. SIMPSON.

Moved by Herman, that report be accepted and recommendations acted on as read.

1st. By Herman, to concur. Adopted.

2d. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence by general consent.

3d. By Herman, to concur. Adopted.

- 4th. By Herman, to concur. Adopted.
 - 5th. By Coman, to concur. Adopted.
 - 6th. By Webster, to concur. By Robinson, to refer to Committee on Jurisprudence. Adopted.
 - 7th. By Ashton, to concur. Adopted.
 - 8th. By Herman, to concur. Adopted.
 - 9th. By Robinson, to concur. Adopted.
 - 10th. By Ryan, to concur. By Riggs, to lay motion to concur on the table. Lost. Motion to concur adopted.
 - 11th. By Ryan, to concur. Adopted.
 - 12th. By Rexinger, to concur. Adopted.
 - 13th. By Park, to concur. Lost.
 - 14th. By Ryan, to concur. Adopted.
 - 15th. By Robinson, to concur. Adopted. By Hale, to reconsider vote on adoption of concurrence. Adopted. Referred to Finance Committee by general consent.
 - 16th. By Johnstone, to refer to Finance Committee. By Sackett, to refer to Committee on Jurisprudence. Lost. To refer to Finance Committee. Adopted.
 - 17th. By Black, to concur. Adopted.
 - 18th. By Flack, to concur. Adopted.
 - 19th. By Chapman, to concur. Adopted.
 - 20th. By Park, to concur. Adopted.
 - 21st. By Chapman, to concur. Adopted.
- Grand Chief Conductor appointed as the special committee provided by Section 14 of the report, Bros. Collins, Rexinger, Forker, Copeland and Arnum.

Communications read, as follows :

BOSTON, Mass., October 22, 1884.

To the Order of Railway Conductors, in Convention at Boston, Mass.:

GENTLEMEN—The management of the Old Colony Railroad take pleasure in proposing an excursion to Plymouth and the South Shore, on Friday, the 24th inst., for the members of your Association.

A special train for the party will leave Boston at 9 A. M. on Friday the 24th inst., for Plymouth, via Quincy, Braintree, Weymouth, Hingham, Nantasket, Cohasset, Scituate, Mansfield and Duxbury, and will return in the afternoon via Abington.

All members with their ladies are cordially invited to join the excursion.

Very truly yours,

J. R. KENDRICK,
General Manager.

On motion of Cross, the Grand Secretary was directed to reply to the invitation, express the thanks of the Grand Division, and say that the excursion would be accepted with pleasure, if the business of the Grand Division would permit

Mr. C. S. Wheaton, Grand Chief Conductor of the Order of Railway Conductors :

DEAR SIR — It gives me pleasure to extend to yourself and the delegates to your convention our invitation to go down the harbor on the regular trip of the city steamer, "J. Putnam Bradley," and I sincerely trust that your Order will find it convenient and agreeable to accept. The details of the excursion will be duly given to you by Mr. Peters, the city messenger

Very respectfully,

AUGUSTUS B. MARTIN,
Mayor.

On motion of Bro. Phipps the Grand Secretary was directed to return the thanks of the Grand Division, and inform the Mayor that a committee from the Grand Division and the delegates' wives and families would accept the kind invitation.

EASTERN RAILROAD CO., PASSENGER DEPARTMENT, }
BOSTON, October 22, 1884. }

C. S. Wheaton, Esq., G. U. C. Order of Railway Conductors, Tremont Temple, Boston, Mass. :

DEAR SIR — I take great pleasure in tendering to your Association the courtesy of free transportation on any portion of the Eastern Railroad, and shall be very glad to arrange a special trip for your party if there is any particular point on our line you desire to visit. If not, and your members desire to travel individually and you have any style of certificate by which they may identify themselves, I will give instructions to our conductors to pass them and their families on presentation of these certificates during the balance of this month. If you will kindly send me a copy of the certificate of identification, it will enable me to give proper instructions to our conductors.

Yours truly,

LUCIUS TUTTLE, G. P. & T. A.

On motion of Bro. Ashton the Grand Secretary was directed to return the thanks of the Grand Division and to provide Mr. Tuttle with a copy of the delegates' credentials.

BOSTON, October 22, 1884.

To the Order of Railway Conductors :

GENTLEMEN — I herewith present you with fifty copies of the Reference Book to Boston, and beg you to accept them. As strangers in our midst, you

will appreciate the information it contains, and be a guide to you in your rambles through the city. If any more are wanted, those who failed to receive a copy can have one on application at our office.

Very respectfully,

A. G. DANIELS.

On motion of Bro. Sackett, the Grand Secretary was directed to notify Mr. Daniels that his kind present was accepted with sincere thanks of the Grand Division.

The following telegrams were received and the Grand Secretary directed to record in the minutes :

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa, October 20, 1884.

To C. S. Wheaton, G. C. C. Order of Railway Conductors :

I regret my inability to be present at and take part in the deliberations of the Seventeenth Grand Division. May you have a happy and harmonious session.

E. O. SOULE.

NEWCASTLE, Pa., October 22, 1884.

To C. S. Wheaton, G. C. C. Order of Railway Conductors :

I hereby send greetings. Am not present bodily, but am with you in spirit. God speed the good work. Send me the daily papers.

J. C. WHISEN.

Minutes read and approved.

Grand Division closed at 5:40 P. M.

MORNING.

OCTOBER 23, 1884.

Grand Division opened at 9:30 A. M. Present, [see roll, pages 639, 640 and 641].

Communication from W. S. Dunn read and ordered filed.

Bro. T. S. Richardson, of Boston Division, No. 122, stated that the Boston Theatre had tendered one hundred seats in their theatre to members of the Grand Division free, and that the Park and Bijou would admit members and their families one evening at one-half regular rates.

Bro. Richardson was requested to make any necessary arrangements and notify members thereof.

Resolution by Bro. Cross, as follows:

WHEREAS, The Brotherhood of Railroad Brakemen being now in session at Oneonta, N. Y., and this being their first annual convention, it would be but an act of courtesy on the part of this Grand body to recognize them as a branch of the service in which we are engaged; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors, now in session at Boston, extends to the Grand Lodge of Railroad Brakemen, greeting, in this, their first annual convention, and trust their meeting may be pleasant and profitable, and that such measures may be adopted by them as will cause the numerous railway companies to recognize in them employees who are endeavoring to elevate the standing of the class they represent, as well as to work for the interest of their employers.

On motion of same, adopted.

Committee on Division Reports made their report as follows:

BOSTON, MASS., October 22, 1884.

To the Officers and Members of the Seventeenth Annual Session of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors:

Your committee appointed to examine the reports of the subordinate divisions, beg leave to submit the following for your consideration:

We find the reports as follows, from:

No. 1. Statement not added, no impression of seal.

No. 2. Statement not added.

No. 3. Promotions not in proper order, statement not added correctly.

And the report shows 118 members in recapitulation and 81 names given in roll.

No. 4. Correct.

No. 5. Statement not added.

No. 6. Names not entered in proper order in roll.

No. 7. Names not entered in proper order in roll, initiations or promotions.

No. 8. Correct.

No. 9. Names not entered in proper order in roll, statement not correct.

No. 10. Names in roll not entered in proper order, and recapitulation shows ten promoted while but nine names are given.

No. 11. Two admitted by card and not shown in recapitulation, and error in recapitulation.

No. 12. Correct.

No. 13. Statement not added.

No. 14. Not signed by Chief Conductor.

No. 15. Names in roll not entered in proper form, statement not added, no impression of seal, and not signed by the Chief Conductor.

No. 16. Correct.

No. 17. Correct.

No. 18. Statement not added.

No. 19. Statement not added, and error in recapitulation.

No. 20. Correct.

No. 21. Names not entered in proper form, either in roll, initiations or promotions, and statement not added.

No. 22. Officers' names omitted from roll of members, and statement not added.

No. 23. Correct.

No. 24. Names of officers omitted from roll; recapitulation shows 24 members, and roll but 22.

No. 25. Statement not added.

No. 26. Names not entered in proper order in either initiations or promotions, and names of officers omitted from the roll.

No. 27. Statement not added.

No. 28. Names of promoted members omitted from the roll, names of initiated and promoted not entered in proper order, and no impression of seal.

No. 29. Statement left blank.

No. 30. Statement not added, and no impression of seal.

No. 31. Correct.

No. 32. Statement not added, and no impression of seal.

No. 33. Names of officers and members promoted not entered in roll, and names not entered in proper form.

No. 34. Correct.

No. 35. Correct.

No. 36. Statement not added.

No. 37. Statement not added.

No. 38. Correct.

No. 39. Correct.

No. 40. Statement not added.

No. 41. Correct.

No. 42. Names in roll, and of members initiated and promoted not entered in proper order.

No. 43. Correct.

No. 44. Does not show number of members September 30, 1883, not signed by either Chief Conductor or Secretary, and no seal.

No. 45. Names of members initiated and promoted not in proper order.

No. 46. Officers' names not entered in roll of members.

No. 47. Correct.

No. 48. Correct.

No. 49. Correct.

No. 50. Officers' names not entered in roll of members, recapitulation incorrect, does not show number of members September 30, 1883, reports nine suspended and gives names of only eight.

No. 51. Names of Inside and Outside Sentinels not given, and statement not given.

No. 52. Members not entered in proper order, report not signed by either Chief Conductor or Secretary.

No. 53. Statement not added.

No. 54. Correct.

No. 55. Correct.

- No. 56. Correct.
- No. 57. Names of initiated and promoted not entered in proper order
- No. 58. Correct.
- No. 59. Statement not added.
- No. 60. Officers' names not entered in roll of members, and names of initiated and promoted not given under proper headings.
- No. 61. No seal.
- No. 62. Names and dates of promotions not given.
- No. 63. Correct.
- No. 64. Statement not added.
- No. 65. Correct.
- No. 66. No seal, and not signed by Chief Conductor.
- No. 67. Correct.
- No. 68. Dates of initiations and promotions not given, and no seal.
- No. 69. Statement not filled out, no seal, and recapitulation not correct.
- No. 70. Statement not filled out, and no seal.
- No. 71. No seal.
- No. 72. Statement not added, and recapitulation not correct.
- No. 73. Statement not added.
- No. 74. Delegate's name not given.
- No. 75. Correct.
- No. 76. Correct.
- No. 77. Correct.
- No. 78. Correct.
- No. 79. Correct.
- No. 80. Officers' names not given in roll of members, and names and dates of members initiated and promoted not given.
- No. 81. Names and dates of members initiated and promoted not given.
- No. 82. Officers not entered in roll of members, statement not added, and no seal.
- No. 83. Statement not added.
- No. 84. Recapitulation not correct.
- No. 85. Correct.
- No. 86. Correct.
- No. 87. No seal.
- No. 88. Recapitulation not correct.
- No. 89. Report 46 initiated and 43 promoted, but give names of only three initiated and none promoted, no seal.
- No. 90. Correct.
- No. 91. Names and dates of promotions not given, and recapitulation not given.
- No. 94. Statement not filled out.
- No. 95. Correct.
- No. 96. Correct.

- No. 97. Correct.
- No. 98. Officers not entered in roll of members.
- No. 99. Address of Chief Conductor and Secretary not given, and statement not added.
- No. 100. Name of delegate not given, names not entered in proper order, statement not correct, not signed by Chief Conductor, and no seal.
- No. 101. Names not entered in proper order, and no seal.
- No. 102. Names and dates of initiations and promotions not given.
- No. 103. Names of members not given, report 55 initiations and give only 47 names, report 54 promotions and give only 46 names.
- No. 104. Report 35 members, 34 promoted, and none admitted by card.
- No. 105. Statement not added.
- No. 106. Correct.
- No. 107. Delegate's name not given, and statement not added.
- No. 108. Seventeen initiated and promoted, and names of only three given.
- No. 109. No seal, and recapitulation not correct.
- No. 110. No seal.
- No. 111. Correct.
- No. 112. Statement not added.
- No. 113. Correct.
- No. 114. Fifty-two members initiated and promoted, but no names or dates given.
- No. 115. Correct.
- No. 116. No report.
- No. 117. Correct.
- No. 118. Names of members not entered properly.
- No. 119. Recapitulation not correct.
- No. 120. Names not entered in proper order, and no seal.
- No. 121. Name of a member admitted by card given under head of initiation and promotion.
- No. 122. Names not entered in proper order, promotions not given, and no seal.
- No. 123. Initiations and promotions not given.
- No. 124. Initiations and promotions not given.
- No. 125. Statement not added.
- No. 126. Correct.
- No. 127. Correct.
- No. 128. Correct.
- No. 129. No report.
- No. 130. Correct.
- No. 131. Correct.
- No. 132. Recapitulation incorrect.
- No. 133. Statement not added.
- No. 134. Officers omitted from roll of members.
- No. 135. Initiations and promotions not given.

No. 136. Names not entered in proper order, and not signed by the Chief Conductor.

No. 137. Officers' names omitted from roll of members.

No. 138. No seal.

No. 139. Names not entered in proper order, initiations and promotions not given, no seal, and Chief Conductor did not sign.

No. 140. Correct.

No. 141. Correct.

No. 142. Initiations and promotions not given.

No. 143. Charter members not designated.

No. 144. No report.

No. 145. Names not entered in proper order, and initiations and promotions not given.

No. 146. Initiations and promotions not given, and no seal.

No. 147. Charter members not designated.

No. 148. Officers' names omitted from roll of members, and initiations and promotions not given.

No. 149. No report.

No. 150. Initiations and promotions not given.

No. 151. Correct.

No. 152. Correct.

No. 153. Correct.

J. J. LONERGAN,
W. W. FLACK,
P. F. DUFFY,
W. H. INGRAM,
SAMUEL PROUD.

Committee.

On motion of Bro. Webster, report accepted and delegates instructed to direct division secretaries to use more care in making their reports, and endeavor to have them correct.

The Committee on Jurisprudence presented a report by their chairman, as follows:

On motion of Bro. Chapman, report acted on by Sections as read.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence beg leave to report favorably on Resolution No. 3, on amendment to Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, be amended by striking out the word "one" in the third line of said Section and inserting the word "two" in lieu thereof, this amendment to take effect and be in full force on and after its final passage.

We recommend the adoption of this amendment.

By Hammond, to concur in the recommendation and adopt the amendment.

Previous question moved by Phipps to suppress debate, and ordered
On ballot, motion to adopt lost by the following vote:

Ayes—Kick, Landon, Parker, Sackett, Hurty, Unkefer, Hunn, Conlan, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Flint, Sears, Vadney, Cross, W. F. Conner, Park, German, Pennock, Wilkins, Conklin, Durbin, Simpson, Lonergan, Harnest, Storm, Coman, Dillon, Powell, Butt, Forker, Keepers, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Sitts, Webster, Demorest, Copeland, Permar, Freeman, Lewis, Roberts, Kaywood, Goodman, Mohler, Shipman, Cavanagh, Hinkley, A. Johnston, Sullivan, Mansfield, Schindler, Matlack, Clendenin, Stoddard, J. E. McCarthy, Kent, Ketchum, Milspaugh, Hammond, Chase, J. McCarthy, Ragland, McClure, Loughridge, C. A. Wood, Flagg, Ogilvie, Laughlin, Belknap, Collins, Fitzgerald, M. Ryan, Chapman, Herman, Ashton, Shew, Daniels—78.

Nays—Rexinger, Richmond, Savage, Qualtrough, Hoadley, Duffy, Ingram, Bunnell, Douglass, Stewart, Hussey, Mudgett, Howland, Cameron, W. C. Wright, Grist, York, Case, Phipps, Bowers, Flack, Shute, Evans, J. F. Ryan, Ewell, Proud, Romaine, Bailey, Gaylord, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Burghardt, Bycraft, Murray, Blount, Carr, Hemperley, Carrell, Richardson, Valentine, Marchessault, Randall, Lovejoy, McElroy, Fargo, E. Hamilton, Brazee, Harris, Crane, Mutter, Pfeffer, T. J. Wright, Horn, A. A. Connor, Morris, J. H. Gardner, Sheehan, Cass, Lackey, Babcock, Cutter, Hale, Adams, Stockdale, Rice, Riggs, Crawford, Campbell, Parks, King, J. T. Johnson, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, J. D. Hamilton, Millard, Carver, Robinson, Randolph, Rosencranz, Hunt, Arnum, Defries—85.

In regard to the matter referred to by Resolution No. 4, your committee think no action is necessary, the letters "S. C." on the withdrawal cards evidently being a misprint which the Grand Secretary has power to correct.
By Burr to concur. Adopted.

In the matter of Resolution No. 18, in which Star Division, No. 31 makes the claim that Section 8 of Article 3 of the Constitution was illegally adopted, your committee have carefully examined into the matter of the adoption of the said section, and find that it was adopted by a legal ballot and the necessary two-thirds voting in the affirmative; we therefore recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That this Grand Division does hereby approve and endorse the action of the sixteenth session of the Grand Division, holden in Kansas City, Mo., commencing October 16, 1883.

By Ryan, to concur and adopt resolution. Adopted.

Your committee recommend the adoption of No. 24, by Bowers, as follows:

Be it Ordered, That hereafter all Grand Officers elect shall be required to take the following obligation before being installed: "I solemnly swear that I will support the constitution, laws, rules and edicts of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors; that I will faithfully perform all duties devolving upon me as Grand Officer, and that I will qualify myself to open and close a division and confer the degrees of the Order without the use of a Ritual, so help me God."

By Robinson, to concur and adopt. Adopted.

Your committee respectfully recommend that permission be given to Division No. 40 to change its name to "St. Paul."

By Hale, to concur. Adopted.

Your committee recommend the adoption of the amendment to Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, by Dillon, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, be and is hereby amended by striking out the letter "A" before the word "Conductor," in the second and fourth lines, and inserting the word "Train" in lieu thereof; this amendment to take effect and be in force on and after its final passage.

By Burr, to concur and adopt the amendment. Adopted.

Your committee recommend the adoption of the following, by Forker:

WHEREAS, A resolution was adopted by the fifteenth session of the Grand Division, defining the jurisdiction of divisions over candidates for membership; and

WHEREAS, Such definition was so worded as to give two divisions jurisdiction over the same person; therefore

Be it Enacted, That Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, be and is hereby amended by adding the following:

"*Provided further*, That he be considered in the jurisdiction of the division nearest which he resides, and no division shall initiate or promote any one who is not in their own jurisdiction without first obtaining permission from the division having jurisdiction." This amendment to take effect and be in force on and after its final passage.

By Sackett, to concur and adopt. Adopted.

We respectfully beg leave to report that, in our opinion, the subject matter of Resolution No. 45, providing for the appointment of a committee by Chief Conductors of divisions, may be embodied in the by-laws of subordinate divisions, and that no action of the Grand Division is necessary.

By Burr, to concur. Adopted.

Your committee respectfully refer Resolution No. 46, with amendment to Ritual, striking from the obligation the clause prohibiting members from engaging in strikes, back to your honorable body without recommendation.

By Daniels, to adopt amendment. Lost by following ballot:

Ayes—Murray—1.

Nays—Rexinger, Richmond, Kick, Landon, Savage, Parker, Qualtrough, Sackett, Hurty, Hoadley, Unkefer, Duffly, Ingram, Bunnell, Hunn, Douglas, Stewart, Conlan, Hussey, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Mudgett, Flint, Howland, Sears, Cameron, Vadney, W. C. Wright, Grist, Cross, York, Case, Park, German, Phipps, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Wilkins, Conklin, Shute, Evans, Durbin, Simpson, J. F. Ryan, Loneragan, Ewell, Proud, Romaine, Harnest, Storm, Coman, Dillon, Bailey, Gaylord, Power, Patterson, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Butt, Forker, Keepers, Burghardt, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Sitts, Webster, Bycraft, Demorest, Copeland, Blount, Carr, Permar, Hemperley, Carrell, Richardson, Lewis, Roberts, Valentine, Kaywood, Marchessault, Randall, Goodman, Mohler, Lovejoy, Shipman, Cavanagh, Hinkley, Fargo, Sullivan, Mansfield, E. Hamilton, Schindler, Brazee, Harris, Crane, Matlack, Pfeffer, Clendenin, T. J. Wright, Horn, A. A. Connor, J. E. McCarthy, Morris, J. H. Gardner, Kent, Sheehan, Cass, Ketchum, Lackey, Babcock, Cutter, Milspaugh, Hale, Hammond, Chase, J. McCarthy, Ragland, McClure, Rice, Crawford, Loughridge, C. A. Wood, Campbell, Parks, King, Flagg, J. T. Johnson, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Ogilvie, Laughlin, Belknap, J. D. Hamilton, Millard, Collins, Carver, Fitzgerald, M. Ryan, Robinson, Randolph, Chapman, Herman, Rosencranz, Ashton Shew, Hunt, Arnum, Defries, Daniels—154.

Your committee respectfully refer Resolution 50 back to your Grand Body without recommendation, not having sufficient information in regard to the matter to make any intelligent report.

Resolution 50, by J. T. Wright, as follows :

WHEREAS, Owing to the fact that Division No. 112 was not furnished with the printed proceedings of the 16th session of the Grand Division they were not informed of the ruling of the Grand Division, that petitioners for initiation must have run a train "twelve consecutive months," and in consequence thereof said division initiated and promoted two persons who had not run a train twelve *consecutive* months; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the action of said Division No. 112, in the case recited, be and the same is hereby legalized.

By Hale, to adopt the resolution. Adopted.

We respectfully recommend the adoption of the amendment to Section 4, Article 4, of Statutes, by A. A. Connor, as follows :

Be it Enacted, That Section 4, Article 4, of the Statutes, be amended by striking out the word "personally," and inserting the words, "notify by letter at last place of residence." This amendment to take effect and be in full force on and after its final passage.

By Defries, to concur in recommendation and adopt the amendment. Adopted.

Your committee respectfully recommend that the amendments to Sections 4, 5 and 7, of Article 4, of the Statutes, by Daniels, be adopted, as follows :

To amend Sections 4, 5, and 7, of Article 4, of the Statutes.

Be it Enacted, That Section 4, Article 4, of the Statutes, be and is hereby amended by striking out the words, "and the names of witnesses expected to testify," in the eighth and ninth lines. To take effect and be in force on and after its final adoption.

Be it Enacted, That Section 5, Article 4, of the Statutes, be and is hereby amended by striking out the words, "with the names of the witnesses expected to testify," in the fifth and sixth lines. To take effect and be in force on and after its final adoption.

Be it Enacted, That Section 7, Article 4, of the Statutes, be and is hereby amended by striking out the words, "shall present with the charges the names of the witnesses by whom he expects to prove them, and" in the first, second and third lines, and the word "He" in the third line. To take effect and be in force on and after its final adoption.

By Daniels, to concur and adopt the amendments. Adopted.

Report signed by

H. S. CHAPMAN,
JAS. OGILVIE,
JOHN C. HARNEST,
W. O. MOHLER,
W. S. SEARS,

Committee.

Minutes read and approved.

Grand Division closed at 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 2:30.

Present, [see roll, pages 639, 640 and 641].

Report of Committee on Grievances and Appeals presented their report, and report acted on as read, by consent.

To the Grand Officers and Members of the Seventeenth Annual Session of the Grand Division :

BROTHERS — We, your Committee on Grievances and Appeals, hereby beg leave to submit their report as follows :

After a careful examination of the minutes of Division No. 51, evidence and all papers relating to the case of A. N. Smith, appellant, *vs.* Division 51, where, in the original trial of which A. N. Smith was expelled from the Order, we find that there was no *proper* evidence of guilt in the matter of the charges preferred, and we recommend that the case be remanded back to Division 51 for a new trial and for proper affidavits of witnesses.

By Millard, to concur. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 61, by Chase, as follows :

Resolved, That Minneapolis Division, No. 117, be requested to explain why it admitted as a charter member a man who had never run a train over six months, and who was not regularly employed as conductor when so admitted.

By Ashton, to concur and adopt the resolution. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 67, by Qualtrough, as follows :

Resolved, That Crescent City Division, No. 108, be requested to explain why they admitted J. Bell, alias J. E. Sparks, as a charter member when he had no withdrawal card from Division No. 7.

By Rexinger, to concur and adopt the Resolution. Adopted.

Report signed by

F. ROSENCRANZ,
J. E. McCARTHY,
SAM. PHIPPS,
W. C. WRIGHT,
E. H. WILCOX.

Committee.

The following read :

ONEONTA, N. Y., Oct. 23, 1884.

C. S. Wheaton, G. C. C., Order of Railway Conductors :

Brakemen's convention now in session. Can arrangements be made with your convention for a department in your monthly if we adopt it as our official journal? The delegates send best wishes to your convention and the members of the Order. Everything O. K. There are thirty-four delegates here.

U. C. OUSTERHOUT.

By Sears, to refer telegram to the Executive Committee. Adopted.

Resolution by Cutter, as follows :

WHEREAS, There is a division of our Order bearing the name of "Leflet;" therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Grand Division instruct said division to change the name to one more suitable and fitting a subordinate division of our Order.

By same, to adopt. Point of order, by Evans, that the Grand Division has no authority to order a division to change its name. Grand Chief Conductor decided the point not well taken, and decision appealed from by Evans. Decision sustained by the following vote :

Ayes—Richmond, Landon, Parker, Qualtrough, Sackett, Hurty, Hoadley, Duffly, Ingram, Bunnell, Hunn, Douglass, Stewart, Conlan, Hussey, Rogers,

Potter, Phelps, Flint, Sears, Cameron, Vadney, W. C. Wright, Grist, York, Case, W. F. Conner, German, Bowers, Flack, Wilkins, Shute, Durbin, Simpson, J. F. Ryan, Proud, Storm, Harnest, Coman, Gaylord, Willott, Hancock, Butt, Forker, Keepers, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Sitts, Webster, Bycraft, Demorest, Copeland, Murray, Blount, Carr, Permar, Hemperley, Richardson, Roberts, Valentine, Goodman, Lovejoy, Cavanagh, Hinkley, A. Johnston, Fargo, Sullivan, Mansfield, Brazee, Harris, Crane, Mathlack, Clendenin, T. J. Wright, Horn, A. A. Connor, J. E. McCarthy, Morris, J. H. Gardner, Kent, Cass, Ketchum, Lackey, Babcock, Cutter, Milspaugh, Hale, Hammond, Chase, Adams, J. McCarthy, Bonfy, Stockdale, C. L. Wood, Ragland, McClure, Rice, Crawford, C. A. Wood, Campbell, Parks, Toms, Flagg, J. T. Johnson, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Ogilvie, Laughlin, Belknap, Millard, Collins, Carver, Fitzgerald, Herman, Ashton, Shew, Hunt—118.

Nays—Kick, Crose, Evans, A. H. Gardner, Shipman, E. Hamilton, M. Ryan, Robinson, Chapman, Defries, Daniels --11.

Minutes read and approved.

Grand Division closed at 5:30 P. M.

MORNING.

OCTOBER 24, 1884.

Grand Division opened at 9:30 A. M.

Present, [see roll, pages 639, 640 and 641].

Report of Executive Committee, as follows :

We, your Executive Committee, wish to report in the matter of the request of the Brakemen's Brotherhood to allow them space in the *Railway Conductors' Monthly*, that the matter be referred to the manager and editors with power to act as they deem best.

M. RYAN,
J. S. RANDOLPH,
J. N. ROBINSON,
Committee.

By Rexinger, to concur. On motion of E. Hamilton, previous question ordered. Motion to concur adopted.

Committee on Finance made their report, as follows :

We, your Committee on Finance, respectfully report that we have examined the bill of the Executive Committee for expenses during the last fiscal year, believe it to be correct, and recommend that an order be drawn for its payment.

By Phipps, to concur. Adopted.

BOSTON, October 21, 1884.

Expense of Executive Committee for year ending this date. To print—ing, circulars, envelopes and postage, \$15.00.

M. RYAN, Chairman,
J. S. RANDOLPH,
J. N. ROBINSON.

We recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 2 by Hurty, as follows :

WHEREAS, The time is near at hand when we will be obliged to establish a permanent headquarters, and there locate our Grand Officers' headquarters, and the printing of our *Monthly*, and

WHEREAS, We firmly believe we, as intelligent business men, should look the ground carefully over and make no hasty decisions in these matters of so great importance to the whole Order, and

WHEREAS, We believe that with proper representation and careful management, the city where this headquarters shall be placed can be induced to make us a liberal offer for such location; and we, as business men, should take every advantage of these matters as they greatly interest the Order both financially and sectionally. Therefore be it

Resolved, That there shall be a commission of seven members of this Grand Division appointed so as to represent each section of the territory now represented, whose duty it shall be to correspond with the different divisions of our Order, and with individuals representing such cities, setting forth the advantages to be gained by securing such location, and what will be offered in the advent of location being selected at their city or village.

Said commission to report at the next regular session of this Grand Division.

By Parks, to concur and adopt the resolution. Previous question ordered, on motion of Chapman. On concurrence and adoption, motion adopted.

We have examined and approved the bill of W. L. Collins for expenses attending the sixteenth session of the Grand Division, and recommend that it be approved by your Grand Body.

Recommendation concurred in by consent.

We unanimously approve the action of the Grand Chief Conductor in giving employment to Bro. Hy. Shew, and we recommend that all bills incurred thereby be approved.

By Evans, to concur. Adopted. (Report not signed.)

By Fitzgerald, that a committee of five be appointed to draft resolutions of thanks to those from whom the Grand Division have been the recipient of courtesies. Adopted.

Grand Chief Conductor appointed as such committee, Bros. Fitzgerald, Richardson, Keepers, Potter, Simpson.

By Webster, to amend Section 11, Article 3, of Statutes. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

Resolution No. 82, by Parker. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Johnstone :

Be it Ordered, That the Grand Chief Conductor and Grand Secretary and Treasurer be instructed to purchase a suitable safe for their joint use, and that the sum of \$450.00, or so much thereof as may be necessary, is hereby appropriated for that purpose.

By Webster, to adopt. Adopted.

By Coman :

Resolved, That this Grand Division determine the manner in which the A. G. C. C. of the Grand Division and the A. C. C. of divisions shall inform their officers when the division is about to be open

By Lonergan, to adopt. Adopted.

Resolution No. 85, by Babcock, referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Pennock :

Resolved, That this Grand Division authorize the employment of Bro. Hy. Shew as clerk for the term of one year at a salary of \$900.00.

By Pennock, to adopt. Lost.

By Park :

WHEREAS, The practice of naming new divisions of the Order after living members is becoming of frequent occurrence and is liable to result in disgrace to these divisions and the Order at large by some future act of the god-fathers of such divisions, and is also productive of much confusion ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That no division of the Order of Railway Conductors hereafter organized shall be named after a living man, but shall as nearly as practicable conform to the name of the place in which such division is located.

By A. H. Gardner, to refer to Committee on Jurisprudence. Lost.

By A. H. Gardner, to adopt resolution. Adopted.

No. 89, by E. Hamilton. By Storm, to refer to Jurisprudence Committee. Adopted.

Bill of Bro. Carver for expenses while acting as Deputy Grand Chief Conductor, for \$15.00, presented. Referred to Committee on Finance.

No. 91, by Johnstone. Referred to Finance Committee.

Hammond requested permission for Division No. 35 to change its name. By Phipps, to grant permission. Adopted.

By Johnstone :

Resolved, That all officers of divisions not elected in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, at the annual election of officers in September of the fiscal year just closed, be declared legally elected by this Grand Division.

By Durbin, to adopt resolution. Adopted.

Special order for report of Committee to investigate the matter of issuing a charter for a second division in the city of Boston.

We, your committee appointed to inquire into the report upon the advisability of issuing a charter for a second division in the city of Boston, beg leave to report to your honorable body, that after due inquiry, we deem it for the best interest of the Order that such charter should issue, and we recommend that it be issued and a committee of three be appointed to confer with the petitioners, make the necessary arrangements, and organize the division before the close of this session of the Grand Division.

H. HURTY,
H. EVANS,
CHAS. STEWART,
W. E. FORKER.
J. M. PATTERSON,
Committee.

By Burr. to accept report and adopt recommendation.

On motion of Simpson, previous question ordered.

Motion to accept and adopt carried by the following ballot :

Ayes — Rexinger, Richmond, Landon, Savage, Parker, Sackett, Hurty, Hoadly, Unkefer, Duffy, Douglas, Stewart, Conlan, Hussey, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Mudgett, Flint, Howland, Sears, Cameron, Vadney, W. C. Wright, Grist, York, Case, W. F. Connor, Phipps, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Wilkins, Conklin, Evans, Durbin, Simpson, Proud, Storm, Coman, Dillon, Gaylord, Patterson, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Butt, Forker, Keepers, Burghardt, J. B. W. Johnstone, Sitts, Wilcox, Bycraft, Demorest, Copeland, Permar, Hemperley, Freeman, Lewis, Valentine, Kaywood, Marchessault, Randall, Goodman, Mohler, Lovejoy, Shipman, A. Johnston, Fargo, Sullivan, Mansfield, E. Hamilton, Schindler, Brazee, Harris, Crane, Matlack, Pfeffer, Clendenin, Horn, A. A. Connor, J. E. McCarthy, J. H. Gardner, Sheehan, Cass, Babcock, Hale, Hammond, Chase, Adams, Stockdale, McClure, Riggs, Loughridge, C. A. Wood, Campbell, Parks, King, J. T. Johnson, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Ogilvie, Belknap, Millard, Collins, Carver, Fitzgerald, Robinson, Chapman, Ashton, Rosencranz, Shew, Hunt, Daniels — 117

Nays — Kick, Qualtrough, Ingram, Hunn, Cross, German, Shute, J. F. Ryan, Romaine, Harnest, Bailey, Powell, Webster, Murray, Blount, Carr, Carrell, Richardson, Roberts, Cavanagh, Hinkley, Mutter, T. J. Wright, Morris, Kent, Ketchum, Cronin, Lackey, Cutter, Milspough, J. McCarthy, Boufy, Rice, Crawford, Toms, Flag, Laughlin, M. Ryan, Randolph, Defries — 40.

Grand Chief Conductor appointed as committee provided for Bros. Carver, Durbin and Millard.

Minutes read, corrected and approved. Grand Division closed at 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 2:30 P. M. Present, [see roll, pp. 639, 640 and 641].

No. 94, by Stewart. By Burr, to lay on the table. Adopted.

By Hussey, to amend Section 1, Article 2, of the Statutes. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Hamilton, to suspend Rule 4 of the Special Rules of Order, and hold an evening session of the Grand Division, commencing at 7:30 P. M. Adopted unanimously.

Minutes read and approved. Grand Division closed at 5:30 P. M.

EVENING.

Grand Division opened at 7:30 P. M. Present, [see roll, pp. 639, 640 and 641].

Committee on Jurisprudence made the following report, which was acted on as read, by consent.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence respectfully submit the following report on matter that has been submitted to them:

We recommend the adoption of the amendment to Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, by Webster, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, be amended by adding: "Provided no person shall hold membership in more than one division at the same time."

This amendment to take effect and be in force on and after its final passage.

By Durbin, to concur and adopt the amendment. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of the amendment to Section 5, Article 5, of the Statutes, by Forker, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That Section 5, Article 5, of the statutes, be and is hereby amended by adding the following: "Provided such payment is made within one year from the date of suspension; failing to make such payment they shall thereafter cease to be members of the Order, and can only be admitted as provided in Sections 2, 3, 5 and 6, of Article 3, of these Statutes.

This amendment to take effect and be in full force on and after its final passage.

By Bunnell, to concur and adopt the amendment. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of amendment to Article 7, of the Statutes, by Potter, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That Article 7 of the Statutes be and is hereby amended by striking out Section 2.

This amendment to take effect and be in force on and after its final passage.

By Rogers, to concur and adopt the amendment. On motion of Fitzgerald, previous question ordered. Motion to adopt amendment lost.

We recommend the adoption of Resolution by Babcock, as follows :

WHEREAS, There is a general desire among the members of subordinate divisions to have our Grand Chief Conductor visit them more in the future than in the past year, and complaint having been made by many because of this seeming neglect by the Grand Chief Conductor (his duties as editor consuming his entire time), without a detriment to the Order; that we think the prosperity of the Order depends in a great measure on his visiting subordinate divisions, and instructing them more fully in the work of the Order. To do so it becomes necessary for this Grand Division to appropriate sufficient funds to pay a competent clerk to do such work necessary in the office of the Grand Chief Conductor, to assist him in his duties as editor, that he may have more time to visit subordinate divisions and organize such new ones as he may have time to ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Grand Division appropriate the sum of eight hundred dollars (\$800) for the purpose of defraying the expense of clerk hire in the office of the Grand Chief Conductor ; and be it further ordered that five hundred dollars (\$500) be appropriated for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Grand Chief Conductor while traveling in and advancing the interest of the Order.

By Burr, to concur and adopt resolution. On motion of Burr, previous question ordered. Motion to adopt resolution lost by the following vote :

Ayes—Rexinger, Parker, Sackett, Hurty, Hoadley, Hunn, Rogers, Potter, Flint, Howland, Sears, Cameron, Grist, York, Conklin, Shute, Durbin, Simpson, Ewell, Proud, Harnest, Bailey, Powell, Patterson, Butt, J. B. W. Johnstone, Bycraft, Murray, Blount, Carr, Hemperley, Carrell, Richardson, Roberts, Valentine, Kaywood, Marchessault, Hinkley, Sullivan, E. Hamilton, Harris, Matlack, Pfeffer, T. J. Wright, Morris, Cronin, Babcock, Hale, Bonfy, Stockdale, C. L. Wood, Ragland, McClure, Crawford, C. A. Wood, Campbell, Parks, Toms, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Ogilvie, Belknap, Millard, Collins, Chapman, Rosencranz, Shew — 68.

Nays—Richmond, Kick, Landon, Savage, Qualtrough, Unkefer, Duffy, Ingram, Bunnell, Douglas, Stewart, Conlan, Hussey, Phelps, Mudgett, Vadney, W. C. Wright, Cross, Case, W. F. Conner, Park, German, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Wilkins, Evans, J. F. Ryan, Lonergan, Romaine, Coman, Dillon, Gaylord, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Forker, Keepers, Burghardt, Wilcox, Sitts, Webster, Demorest, Copeland, Permar,

Freeman, Lewis, Randall, Goodman, Mohler, Lovejoy, Shipman, Cavanagh, A. Johnston, Fargo, Mansfield, Schindler, Crane, Mutter, Clendenin, Stoddard, Horn, A. A. Connor, J. E. McCarthy, J. H. Gardner, Kent, Sheehan, Cass, Ketchum, Lackey, Cutter, Milspaugh, Hammond, Chase, Adams, J. McCarthy, Rice, Riggs, Loughridge, King, J. T. Johnson, Loughlin, Carver, Fitzgerald, Robinson, Randolph, Herman, Ashton, Hunt, Daniels, Arnum, Defries, Archer — 94.

We recommend the adoption of the following, by Bowers :

Resolved, That the third tie in the obligation of the second degree be changed by striking out the words "by revealing" and inserting the words "nor reveal" in lieu thereof.

By Durbin, to concur and adopt resolution. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of the following, by Sitts :

Resolved, That the Order of Railway Conductors should become an incorporated organization ; therefore, be it

Ordered, That the Grand Officers, Executive Committee and fifteen members of the Grand Division, to be elected by ballot, proceed to obtain articles of incorporation under the laws of the State of New York.

By Grover, to concur and adopt the resolution and order ; by Sears, to strike out New York. On motion of Ashton, previous question ordered. Motion to strike out New York adopted.

By Carver, to insert Iowa (Chapman in the chair) ; by Wheaton, to strike out Iowa and insert Michigan. Point of order, by Daniels, that, there being a blank in the paper to be filled, a motion to amend an amendment by striking out could not be entertained. Chair decided the point not well taken and decision appealed from by Daniels. Decision sustained by the following vote :

Ayes — Richmond, Parker, Sackett, Hurty, Hoadley, Ingram, Bunnell, Douglas, Stewart, Rogers, Mudgett, Flint, Howland, Sears, Cameron, W. C. Wright, York, Conklin, J. F. Ryan, Proud, Romaine, Harnest, Fitzmorris, Forker, Keepers, Bycraft, Demorest, Richardson, Sullivan, Harris, Matlack, Pfeffer, Horn, Morris, Kent, Cass, Lackey, Ragland, Rice, Riggs, Campbell, Parks, Toms, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Wheaton, Ogilvie, Millard, Collins, Herman, Rosencranz, Ashton, Shew, Hunt, Arnum, Defries — 57.

Nays — Rexinger, Kick, Landon, Savage, Qualtrough, Unkefer, Duffy, Hunn, Conlan, Hussey, Potter, Phelps, Vadney, Grist, Cross, Case, W. F. Conner, Park, German, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Wilkins, Shute, Evans, Durbin, Simpson, Lonergan, Ewell, Coman, Bailey, Gaylord, Powell, Patterson, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Butt, Burghardt, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Sitts, Webster, Copeland, Murray, Blount, Carr, Permar,

Hemperley, Freeman, Carrell, Lewis, Roberts, Valentine, Kaywood, Randall, Goodman, Mohler, Lovejoy, Hinkley, Cavanagh, A. Johnston, Fargo, Mansfield, E. Hamilton, Schindler, Crane, Clendenin, Stoddard, T. J. Wright, A. A. Connor, J. E. McCarthy, J. E. Gardner, Sheehan, Ketchum, Cronin, Babcock, Cutter, Hale, Milspaugh, Hammond, Chase, Adams, J. McCarthy, Boufy, Stockdale, C. L. Wood, McClure, Crawford, Loughridge, C. A. Wood, King, J. T. Johnson, Laughlin, Belknap, Carver, Fitzgerald, Robinson, Randolph, Daniels, Archer—101.

By Herman, to postpone the subject matter under discussion. Adopted.

By Daniels, to reconsider vote to postpone. By Daniels, to lay motion to reconsider on table. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of the following, by Richmond.

Resolved, That the "Order of Business" in subordinate divisions be changed to read as follows:

Order No. 6—Initiation or promotion of candidates.

Order No. 12—Reading the minutes of the meeting.

Order No. 13—Receipts of the meeting.

By Parker, to concur and adopt the resolution. Adopted.

Report signed by

H. S. CHAPMAN,
JAS. OGILVIE,
JOHN HARNEST,
W. O. MOHLER,
W. S. SEARS,

Committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

Report acted on as read, by consent.

We, your Committee on Finance, beg leave to report as follows:

We recommend that the bill of expenses of L. R. Carver, presented at this morning's session, be paid.

[NOTE.—No bill accompanying or amount given.—G. S.]

By Millard, to concur and that an order be drawn for the amount. Adopted.

We recommend that the Grand dues for the ensuing year be made one dollar (\$1.00) per member.

By Chapman, to concur. Adopted.

Your committee decline to make any report on the *correctness* of the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, as we cannot understand them. We recommend that the Executive Committee be ordered to examine

the accounts and be held responsible for the doings of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, as under the laws it is clearly their duty to attend to this matter.

We recommend that the Grand Secretary and Treasurer be instructed to keep separate accounts as follows :

1st. An account of the Grand Division with separate divisions.

2d. An insurance account.

3d. An account of the receipts and expenditures connected with the publication of the *Conductors' Monthly*.

In making the above report we are satisfied that the Grand Secretary and Treasurer understands *his* method of book-keeping, but in our opinion the business has grown to such magnitude that it requires a more systematic manner of keeping the accounts of this Grand Division, in order that the Executive and Finance Committees may be able to make their reports understandingly.

It is the opinion of the committee that with the books and papers before us, it would take at least a week to make a proper report to this Grand Body, as we have no access to the journal from which accounts are copied into the ledger, nor bank book to show the balance to credit of Grand Division on deposit.

By Ashton, to concur. Adopted.

Report signed by

S. A. HERMAN,
WALTER LACKEY,
H. HURTY,
A. H. CUTTER,
J. B. W. JOHNSTONE,
Committee.

We, a majority of your Committee on Finance, recommend the adoption of the following, by J. B. W. Johnstone :

Resolved, That the subscription price of the *Conductors' Monthly Magazine* be one dollar (\$1.00) per year, commencing January 1st, 1885.

S. A. HERMAN,
WALTER LACKEY,
A. H. CUTTER,
J. B. W. JOHNSTONE,
of the Committee.

A minority of your committee respectfully recommend the rejection of the above resolution.

H. HURTY,
of the Committee.

By C. A. Wood, to concur in majority report and adopt the Resolution.
Lost.

By Grover, that the "Grand Honors," as printed in the Ritual, be approved and adopted. Adopted.

By Gardner, A. H., that the action of the Grand Chief Conductor and associates in making an arrangement whereby the *Railway Conductors' Monthly* was adopted as the official journal of the Y. M. M. B. A., be approved and sustained. Adopted.

By Rogers, that the regalias and property, except books, of old "Eureka Division, No. 7," be presented to Crawford Division, No. 109. Adopted.

By Chapman :

Resolved, That an appropriation of eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) be made for the purpose of employing a clerk for the coming year for the G. C. C. and G. S. and T. jointly, and that the G. C. C. have authority to make the selection.

By Chapman, to adopt. On motion of Simpson, previous question ordered. Resolution adopted by the following ballot :

Ayes—Rexinger, Richmond, Kick, Landon, Savage, Parker, Qualtrough, Sackett, Hurty, Hoadley, Unkefer, Duffy, Ingram, Bunnell, Hunn, Douglas, Stewart, Conlan, Hussey, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Mudgett, Flint, Howland, Sears, Cameron, Vadney, W. C. Wright, Grist, Cross, York, Case, W. F. Conner, Park, German, Bowers, Flack, Conklin, Shute, Durbin, Simpson, Lonergan, Ewell, Proud, Romaine, Harnest, Coman, Bailey, Gaylord, Powell, Patterson, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Butt, Keepers, Burghardt, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Sitts, Webster, Bycraft, Copeland, Murray, Blount, Carr, Permar, Hemperley, Freeman, Carrell, Richardson, Valentine, Roberts, Lewis, Kaywood, Randall, Goodman, Mohler, Lovejoy, Hinkley, A. Johnston, Fargo, Sullivan, Mansfield, E. Hamilton, Schindler, Harris, Crane, Matlack, Pfeffer, Clendenin, Stoddard, T. J. Wright, Horn, A. A. Connor, J. E. McCarthy, Morris, J. H. Gardner, Kent, Sheehan, Cass, Cronin, Lackey, Babcock, Milspaugh, Hale, Chase, Adams, J. McCarthy, Bonfy, Stockdale, C. L. Wood, Ragland, McClure, Rice, Riggs, Crawford, Loughridge, Campbell, Toms, Parks, King, J. T. Johnson, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Ogilvie, Laughlin, Belknap, J. D. Hamilton, Carver, Fitzgerald, Robinson, Randolph, Chapman, Herman, Rosencranz, Shew, Hunt, Daniels, Arnum, Archer—144.

Nays—Pennock, Wilkins, Evans, J. F. Ryan, Forker, Demorest, Cavanagh, Cutter, C. A. Wood, Millard, Ashton, Defries—12.

By Chase :

Resolved, That a voucher for all necessary expenses incurred by the Grand Chief Conductor, while traveling in the interests of the Order of Railway Conductors during the present fiscal year, be returned to the Executive Committee, subject to the endorsement of said committee, and when so passed upon shall be paid out of the Grand Division treasury.

By Sackett, to adopt. Adopted.

By Sackett, to present the property of old Iron City Division, No. 13, except books, to Hawkins Division, No. 114. Adopted.

By Evans, that the Grand Secretary be instructed to send one-half as many copies of the proceedings to each division as the division has members. By Sackett, to amend by striking out all after the word "send," and adding, "ten copies to each division." By Rogers, to amend amendment by striking out "ten," and inserting, "eight." Motion to amend amendment, lost. Motion to amend motion, lost. By Chapman, to postpone consideration of the subject. Adopted.

By Webster, to amend Section 4, Article 3, of the Statutes. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

Minutes read, corrected and approved.

Grand Division closed at 11:50 P. M.

MORNING.

OCTOBER 25, 1884.

Grand Division opened at 9:30 A. M.

Present, [see pages 639, 640 and 641].

By Cross, that Committee on Jurisprudence be directed to report on Resolution No. 19. Adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, beg leave to report as follows on various matters submitted to our consideration :

We recommend the rejection of the following resolution, by Cross:

WHEREAS, It is apparent to many members of the Order, that the rapid growth of permanent membership in this Grand Body is increasing to an alarming extent, and if continued will shortly outnumber the delegates from local divisions, thereby debarring them from a voice in these meetings; therefore, be it

Resolved, That Sections 10 and 11, of Article 2, of the Constitution of the Grand Division be stricken out, and the following inserted: "All Past Grand Chief Conductors so long as they shall remain members in good standing of divisions under the jurisdiction of this Grand Division."

By Johnstone, to concur in the report. Adopted, by the following ballot:

Ayes—Richmond, Landon, Savage, Parker, Sackett, Hurty, Hoadley, Duffy, Ingram, Hunn, Bunnell, Douglas, Stewart, Conlan, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Mudgett, Flint, Howland, Cameron, Vadney, W. C. Wright, York, Case, W. F. Conner, Park, German, Phipps, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Conklin, Shute, Simpson, Lonergan, Ewell, Proud, Romaine, Harnest, Storm,

Coman, Dillon, Bailey, Gaylord, Powell, Patterson, Willott, A. H. Gardner, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Butt, Keepers, Burghardt, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Sitts, Webster, Bycraft, Carr, Permar, Hemperley, Freeman, Carrell, Richardson, Lewis, Valentine, Marchessault, Randall, Goodman, Lovejoy, Shipman, Hinkley, A. Johnston, McElroy, Fargo, Sullivan, Mansfield, E. Hamilton, Schindler, Brazee, Harris, Crane, Matlack, Mutter, Pfeffer, Clendenin, Stoddard, T. J. Wright, Horn, A. A. Connor, J. E. McCarthy, Ragland, McClure, Rice, Riggs, Crawford, C. A. Wood, Campbell, Parks, Flagg, J. T. Johnson, Blakeslee, Burr, Grover, Laughlin, Belknap, Ogilvie, Fitzgerald, M. Ryan, Robinson, Randolph, Chapman, Rosencranz, Ashton, Hunt, Daniels, Defries, Archer—133.

Nays—Kick, Hussey, Cross, Wilkins, Evans, J. F. Ryan, Demorest, Blount, Kaywood, Loughridge, King, Roberts—12.

During ballot,

Ogilvie asked to be excused, Cross objected.

Fitzgerald asked to be excused, Burr objected.

M. Ryan asked to be excused, Evans objected.

Robinson asked to be excused, Cross objected.

Randolph asked to be excused, J. F. Ryan objected.

Chapman asked to be excused, C. A. Wood objected.

Rosencranz asked to be excused, Millard objected.

Ashton asked to be excused, Webster objected.

Hunt asked to be excused, Millard, Cross and others objected.

Defries asked to be excused, Patterson objected.

Archer asked to be excused, Chase objected.

Your committee report favorably and recommend the adoption of the amendment to Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, by Patterson, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That Section 2, Article 3, of the Statutes, be and is hereby amended by striking out the word "one" in the third line and inserting the word "two" in lieu thereof. To take effect and be in force on and after its final adoption.

By German, to concur and adopt the amendment.

On motion of Daniels, previous question ordered. Amendment adopted by the following ballot.

Ayes—Kick, Landon, Parker, Sackett, Hurty, Duffly, Bunnell, Conlan, Hussey, Rogers, Potter, Phelps, Flint, Vadney, Cross, York, W. F. Conner, Park, German, Bowers, Flack, Pennock, Wilkins, Conklin, Simpson, Loneragan, Harnest, Storm, Coman, Dillon, Patterson, A. H. Gardner, Butt, Keepers, J. B. W. Johnstone, Wilcox, Sitts, Webster, Bycraft, Demorest, Carr, Permar, Hemperley, Freeman, Carrell, Richardson, Lewis, Roberts, Kaywood, Goodman, Lovejoy, Shipman, Hinkley, A. Johnston, Mansfield, Schindler, Pfeffer, Clendenin, T. J. Wright, J. E. McCarthy, Kent, Sheehan, Cass, Ketchum, Lackey, Cutter, Milspaugh, Hammond, Chase, Adams, J.

McCarthy, Ragland, Rice, Crawford, Loughridge, C. A. Wood, Flagg, J. T. Johnson, Burr, Ogilvie, Laughlin, Belknap, Fitzgerald, M. Ryan, Robinson, Chapman, Ashton, Shew, Daniels, Archer—90.

Nays—Richmond, Savage, Hoadley, Ingram, Hunn, Douglas, Stewart, Mudgett, Howland, Cameron, W. C. Wright, Case, Phipps, Shute, Evans, J. F. Ryan, Ewell, Proud, Romaine, Bailey, Gaylord, Powell, Willott, Hancock, Fitzmorris, Burghardt, Blount, Valentine, Marchessault, Randall, Fargo, Sullivan, E. Hamilton, Brazee, Harris, Crane, Matlack, A. A. Connor, Horn, Morris, J. H. Gardner, Cronin, McClure, Campbell, Parks, King, Blakeslee, Grover, J. T. Hamilton, Randolph, Rosencranz, Hunt—52.

In accordance with the instructions of your Grand Body, we recommend that the following Circular be issued:

To the Chief Conductor, Secretary and Brothers of Division No. —

By the direction of the Grand Division, the undersigned is requested to appeal to each member of the Order to contribute as liberally of their means as their circumstances will permit, for the relief of our worthy brother, Hy Shew.

The reason for this appeal is, that Bro. Shew's poor health prevents his earning a livelihood, and it was the sense of the Grand Division that by contributing each of us a small amount, the necessary means could be procured with which to establish Bro. Shew in a light mercantile business suited to his condition.

.....G. C. C.

By J. F. Ryan, to concur. Adopted.

Your committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the amendments to Articles 6, 12, 15, 20, 23, of the Insurance Laws, by Daniels, as follows:

To amend Article 6:

Be it Enacted, That Article 6, of the Insurance Laws, be and is hereby amended as follows: By striking out the word "thirty" in the fifth line, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "sixty," to take effect and be in force on and after its final adoption.

To amend Article 12:

Be it Enacted, That Article 12, of the Insurance Laws, be and is hereby amended, by striking out all after the word "claims" in the sixth line, and adding in lieu thereof, the following: "Not less than twenty, nor more than forty days from the date of such notice of assessment, the Secretary shall issue a second notice to all who have not paid the assessment or assessments, for which the first notice was issued, which second notice shall be addressed to the member in care of the secretary of the division of which he is a member, and any member who fails to pay any assessment within sixty

days from the date of the first notice, shall forfeit his membership in the Association and all right to any benefit therein." To take effect and be in force on and after its final adoption.

To amend Article 15:

Be it Enacted, That Article 15, of the Insurance Laws, be and is hereby amended by striking out the words "as soon as" in the last line, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "within sixty days from the time." To take effect and be in force on and after its final adoption.

To amend Article 20:

Be it Enacted, That Article 20, of the Insurance Laws, be and is hereby amended, by substituting the following: "The first notice of assessment shall be written or printed, or partly written and partly printed on United States postal cards, and addressed to the members for whom they are intended. They shall then be placed in a sealed envelope, properly addressed to the member for whom it is intended, as the address is shown on the books of the Association, one full, first-class rate of postage paid thereon and deposited in the postoffice. The envelope in which assessment notices are enclosed must have a printed "return card" thereon. The second notice shall be as above described, except that the postal cards shall be mailed without being enclosed in envelopes.

To insure proper credit being given, members *must* return the notice of assessment with their remittance. The Secretary will then stamp the notice "paid" with the date, and deposit the same in the postoffice, and the notice so stamped, shall be a sufficient receipt for the payment of that assessment." To take effect and be in force on and after its final adoption.

To amend Article 23:

Be it Enacted, That Article 23, of the Insurance Laws, be and is hereby amended by striking out all after the word "prepaid" in the third line. To take effect and be in force on and after its final adoption.

WM. P. DANIELS.

By Daniels, to concur in the recommendation and adopt the amendments. Adopted.

We recommend the adoption of Resolution No. 70, by Chapman, as follows:

WHEREAS, In consideration of the rapid increase of railway business, the continual necessity of railroad companies accepting the services of men trained on other roads, and under widely different systems of management, and on account of the growing custom in some parts of the country of running conductors and engineers, sometimes over two or three different roads or divisions of roads, and on account of such a great diversity and conflict of train rules as to result, not infrequently in accident, loss of life, and destruction of property, and in view of the fact that the protection of

human life and property, the natural traffic of our railways, largely depend upon men employed in the train service, and, in order to reduce accidents to a minimum, the time has arrived when it is absolutely necessary that prompt measures be taken, looking forward to the adoption of a standard and uniform system of train rules, orders and signals, and believing that the Order of Railway Conductors are directly interested in this important matter; therefore

Resolved, That the Grand Division, Order of Railway Conductors, in 17th annual convention assembled, do earnestly urge upon the managers and superintendents of American and Canadian railways, the necessity of giving this matter such prompt and careful consideration as the growing commerce of this country and the exigency of the situation demands.

Resolved, That this Order recognize the American Association of Dispatchers as the proper authority to prepare and formulate such a system of train rules and orders, and we recommend that the managers and superintendents give the Dispatchers' Association such assistance and encouragement as will lead to the consummation and adoption of such a system of train rules and orders. And we further recommend to the managers and superintendents that when, at such time as the Dispatchers' Association shall agree upon a proper system of train rules, the same shall be adopted upon the railways which they represent.

By McClure, to concur in the recommendation and adopt the resolution.
Adopted.

Report signed by

H. S. CHAPMAN,
JAS. OGILVIE,
JOHN HARNEST,
W. O. MOHLER,
W. S. SEARS,

Committee.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, recommend that there be a sufficient number of copies of the proceedings of this Grand Division printed to furnish each subordinate division with two copies, and also furnish each Grand Officer with a copy.

S. A. HERMAN,
WALTER LACKEY,
H. HURTY,
A. H. CUTTER,
J. B. W. JOHNSTONE.

Committee.

By Ashton, to concur. Adopted.

Resolution No. 102, by Duffy, referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

Resolution No. 103, by Chase, referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Johnstone :

WHEREAS, It has come to the knowledge of this Grand Division that division cards are being constantly abused ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That hereafter, if the abuse of a card comes to the knowledge of any member, it shall be his duty to take up the card or to obtain its number and the name of the division granting it ; he shall then notify the Chief Conductor of the division issuing the card, whose duty it shall be to discipline the holder by taking up the card, if he still has it, reprimanding him and refusing to allow him another card for the period of one year.

By Johnstone, to adopt resolution. Adopted.

By Ashton :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary and Treasurer be instructed to take out a bond in the amount of \$20,000 in some guarantee company, satisfactory to the Executive Committee, the cost of such bond to be paid by the Grand Division.

By Rexinger, to adopt resolution. Adopted.

Randolph asked to be excused from further attendance. By Ogilvie, that Randolph be excused. Adopted.

A. A. Conner asked to be excused from further attendance. Excused by consent.

Burr asked to be excused from further attendance. By Chapman, that Burr be excused. Adopted.

C. A. Wood asked to be excused from further attendance.

Daniels objected as no reason was given.

Wood stated that his presence in Elmira was necessary, as he had family duties to perform. [Laughter.]

By several delegates, that the reason was not sufficiently definite.

Wood explained that it was a duty he should perform with great pleasure. [Prolonged laughter.] Objections by several delegates. Wood, still holding the floor, explained that *his* wife was with him [interrupted by laughter], but that they had left their children at home, one unwell, and were anxious to return to them.

Objections withdrawn and Wood excused by consent.

Minutes read and approved.

Grand Division closed 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

Grand Division opened at 2:30 P. M.

Present. [see roll, pages 639, 640 and 641].

Committee appointed to organize a division in the city, reported that they had organized "New England Division, No. 157," and that a number of its members were in the ante-room and wished to enter the Grand Division. Visitors from New England Division, No. 157, then introduced by the committee.

J. Moriarty admitted to a seat in the Grand Division as delegate from New England Division, No. 157, by consent.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE.

We, your Committee on Finance, recommend that the bill of the Grand Chief Conductor, amounting to \$295.02, for office expenses, be approved and ordered paid.

By Millard, to concur. Adopted.

Your committee are of the opinion that all expenses and bills not provided for by appropriation at the annual meeting of the Grand Division, be acted on by the Executive Committee, and if approved by a majority, be paid, provided that if the Executive Committee fail to approve any bill they may refer to the Grand Division at its next meeting.

By Lackey, to concur. Adopted.

Report signed by

S. A. HERMAN,
H. HURTY,
A. H. CUTTER,
WALTER LACKEY,
J. B. W. JOHNSTONE,

Committee.

By Forker.

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary and Treasurer be instructed to enclose with all division cards issued, printed instructions, specifying how they shall be used, and instructing members and divisions to whom they are presented that if they are not used according to instructions to take the same up and return to the Grand Secretary and Treasurer with statement.

By Forker, to adopt resolution. Adopted.

Resolution No. 108, by Simpson. By Robinson, to lay on the table. Adopted.

By Chase :

Resolved, That this Grand Division endorse and fully sustain the action of the Grand Officers in publishing the circular relative to J. Ward Boyles.

By Chase, to adopt resolution. Adopted.

No. 110, by Grover. By Sackett, to lay on the table. Adopted.

No. 111, by Ashton. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Fitzgerald :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be and is hereby instructed to have printed and send to the secretary of every subordinate division a circular, notifying them of the errors made in making out the annual reports, and notifying them that they must be more particular in future and use greater care to make their reports correctly.

By Phipps, to adopt resolution. Adopted.

Petition of Wm. Delaney, a former member, who was expelled by Freeport Division, No. 25, for permission for Division No. 78 to act on his petition for re-instatement.

By Lackey, that petition be referred to the Grand Chief Conductor, with full power to act in the premises. Adopted.

Petition of Joseph Packard, a former member, who was expelled by Aurora Division, No. 28, for permission for any division of the Order to act on his petition for re-instatement.

By Lackey, that petition be referred to the Grand Chief Conductor, with power to act in the premises. Adopted.

By Daniels :

Be it Ordered, That the Grand Secretary be and is hereby instructed to issue notice of assessments to members of the Insurance Association, in accordance with the amendments placed on record for adoption.

By Daniels, to adopt the order. Adopted.

By Daniels :

Be it Ordered, That until otherwise provided, *The Railway Conductors' Monthly* shall consist of seventy two pages, exclusive of covers, and the subscription price shall be as heretofore, \$1.25 per annum.

The subscription price to regular news dealers, who keep the *Monthly* on sale and act as agents for it, shall be \$1 per annum.

The manager and editor, with the approval of the associate editors, may arrange for such premiums for clubs as they deem for the best interests of the *Monthly*, provided no premium shall be given unless the full subscription price of \$1.25 per annum shall have been paid, and provided further that no premium shall exceed in value the amount of 15 cents for each subscriber in the club for which the premium is given.

By Daniels, to adopt the order. Division demanded by Chapman. First paragraph adopted, second and third paragraphs lost.

By Daniels :

Be it Ordered, That the following badges shall be adopted to designate officers and members of the Grand and Subordinate Divisions :

GRAND OFFICERS.

A white silk badge, three and one-half inches long, with a "coach" pin at the top, at the center a pair of clasped hands, at the bottom a bar one-fourth inch wide, and the following emblems, two and one-half inches long, pendant from the bar :

Grand Chief Conductor, pair of crossed gavels.

Assistant Grand Chief Conductor, single gavel.

Grand Secretary and Treasurer, pen and key crossed.

Grand Senior Conductor, pair of staves crossed.

Grand Junior Conductor, single staff.

Grand Inside Sentinel, pair of swords crossed.

Grand Outside Sentinel, single sword.

Insurance Committee, hour glass.

Executive Committee, pair of justice's balances.

All metal to be gold or gold plate.

Past Grand Officers to be same as above, except that emblem of office shall be enclosed in a circle bar one-fourth inch wide.

Permanent members of the Grand Division, other than Past Grand officers, a badge of green silk two and one-half inches long, with pin and bar as above described, and a pair of clasped hands pendant.

Each Past Grand officer shall be furnished with a proper badge by the Grand Secretary and Treasurer upon application.

The delegate's badge shall be the badge of the chief conductor of a division.

DIVISION OFFICERS.

The badge of division officers shall be of cardinal silk, three and one-half inches long, same as for the corresponding Grand officers, except that all metal except pin must be silver or white. Divisions are recommended to procure and use these badges, but shall not be compelled to do so, and it is further recommended that regalias be used for parade only by divisions that have badges.

In case divisions wish to procure badges for members, they shall be the same as above described for permanent members of the Grand Division, except that they shall be of red silk and the metal, except pin, silver or white metal.

The order to purchase regalias for the Grand Division is hereby suspended.

By Daniels, to adopt the order. Adopted.

Communication from S. D. H. Browne, making a complaint in regard to action of Division No. 10.

By Millard, that communication be referred to Division No. 10. Adopted.

Resolution No. 119, by Kaywood. Referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

E. Hamilton requested Committee on Jurisprudence to report on Resolution No. 53. Submitted to them.

Report of committee:

Your committee respectfully recommend the rejection of Resolution No. 53, by E. Hamilton, as follows:

Resolved, That in the payment of Grand dues, divisions be not required to pay initiate and promotion fees on their charter members, but the regular annual dues of 50 cents.

By Ashton, to concur. Adopted.

Hunn requested Committee on Jurisprudence to report on Resolution No. 6. Committee report as follows:

We, your committee, respectfully recommend the rejection of Resolution No. 6, by Hunn, as follows:

Resolved, That the members of any division of the Order of Railway Conductors may vote by proxy for the officers and delegate of their division.

By Ashton, to concur in the report. Adopted.

Kaywood asked for report on Resolution No. 119. Report as follows:

We respectfully recommend the rejection of Resolution No. 119, by Kaywood, as follows:

Resolved, That Article 24, of our Insurance Laws, be amended by striking out the words, "I do hereby certify that I am temperate in my habits and have no injury or disease, constitutional or otherwise, which will tend to shorten my life; that I am in good health," from the application for membership.

By Millard, to concur in the report. Adopted.

Potter requested report on Resolution No. 11. Report as follows:

Your committee respectfully recommend the rejection of Resolution No. 11, by Potter, as follows:

Resolved, That all general orders issued by the Grand Chief Conductor or Grand Secretary, all suspensions, expulsions and notices of lost cards, be printed and sent in circular form under the Grand Division seal, to each and every division, and not be printed in the *Conductors' Monthly*.

By Conklin, to concur in the report. Adopted.

Duffy asked for report on Resolution No. 102. Report as follows:

Your committee respectfully recommend the rejection of Resolution No. 102, by Duffy, as follows:

Be it Enacted, That all or any subject, enactment or resolution submitted at the next session of the Grand Division, and all future sessions of the Grand Division, except such as are herein provided for, namely, such resolutions and enactments that demand immediate action necessary to expedite the business at such session or for the ensuing year, shall not be considered or action taken thereon, except to refer to the respective committees, and they shall examine all such matter, and after examination it shall be placed in the hands of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer and printed in the proceedings, and come up at the next session in its regular order for ratification.

Be it Further Enacted, That all laws or statutes conflicting or inconsistent herewith be repealed.

By Patterson, to concur in the report. Adopted.

Sitts requested report on amendment to Section 3, Article 9, of the Constitution. Report as follows:

Your committee respectfully recommend the rejection of the amendment by Sitts, as follows:

Be it Enacted. That Section 3, Article 9, of the Constitution, be and is hereby amended so as to read: "No person shall be initiated into this Order for a less sum than \$6, nor shall any initiate be promoted for a less sum than \$4."

By Ashton, to concur in the report. Adopted.

Kent requested report on Resolution No. 58. Report as follows:

Your committee respectfully recommend the rejection of Resolution No. 58, by Kent, as follows:

Resolved. That the following question, "Do you agree to abstain from the use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage while on duty as a conductor?" be inserted in the book of questions for candidates to answer in writing; and be it further

Resolved. That a negative answer to the above question shall be considered sufficient cause for the rejection of any petition.

By Robinson, to concur in the report. Adopted.

All of the above requested reports were signed by the full committee, as follows:

H. S. CHAPMAN,
JAS. OGILVIE,
JOHN HARNEST,
W. O. MOHLER,
W. S. SEARS.

Committee.

Report of special committee to draft resolutions in memory of deceased Bros. Long and Marsh, as follows:

With sorrowing hearts the officers and members of this Seventeenth Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors, are once more called upon to mourn the loss of a dear departed brother. His good works, sweet and almost sacred memory, are all that is left us now, and nothing reminds us so forcibly that a brother is absent, as when looking around we see the vacant chair of our good and loving Past Grand Secretary and Treasurer.

A precious brother sadly missed by every member of our Order; his wise and mature age, his kind and gentle manner. Yea! the words of encouragement so often given to the younger brothers, with kindly look to cheer them on in every good work, are but a few of the many attributes which shed a beautiful lustre over the every-day life of our departed but not forgotten friend and brother. Sweeter, perchance, than all this, is the almost sacred memory of one who, when unwise counsel prevailed, turned the angry billows back, not with an iron hand, nor yet with the will of authority, but by pouring the oil of brotherly kindness over the dashing waters, until the storm had all passed away. And finally, while we are not to prejudge the decis-

ions of Him who doeth all things well, can we wish for anything more beautiful in the unknown future, than that we, one and all, be permitted, as the tide of our lives goes out, to once more join our brother in the Grand Division above? And be it

Resolved, By this Grand Division, that we tender to the widow and friends of our beloved brother our heartfelt sympathy in this their affliction, and that a copy of this preamble and resolution be forwarded to the family. And be it further

Resolved, That in the death of Bro. C. R. Marsh, the Order of Railway Conductors has sustained a severe loss. Although he was young in membership, compared to our lamented Bro. Long, yet he was none the less efficient and active in the positions he held in the Order, and esteemed by his brethren and his large circle of acquaintances. And be it further

Resolved, That we, from the inmost recesses of our hearts, sympathize with the bereaved widow and relatives in this their great affliction, and hope they will repose their trust in Him who is alone able to give strength and comfort to those thus bereaved. And be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be furnished the family of our late Bro. Marsh.

“I need not be missed if another succeeds me,
To reap down the fields which in the spring I have sown;
He who plowed and who sowed is not missed by the reaper,
He is only remembered by what he has done.

“Not myself, but the truth that in life I have spoken;
Not myself, but the seed that in life I have sown,
Shall pass on to ages, all about me, forgotten,
Save the truth I have spoken, the deeds I have done.

“And so may my life be, so be my dying—
So let my name be—unblazoned, unknown,
Unpraised and unmissed, I shall yet be remembered,
But only remembered by what I have done.”

WM. L. COLLINS,
C. F. REXINGER,
J. B. COPELAND,
BEN. ARNUM,
W. E. FORKER,

Committee.

By Coman, to accept the report and adopt the resolutions. Adopted *unanimously*,

Report of Special Committee to draft resolution of thanks, as follows:

WHEREAS, The members, visitors and their families of the 17th annual session of the Grand Division, have been the recipients of many courtesies

and marks of kindness from the several parties herein mentioned. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division be and are hereby tendered to the officers and members of Boston Division, No. 122, for their many courtesies and warm expressions, and their untiring efforts to make our visit instructive and entertaining, and that the thanks of this Grand Division are hereby tendered to the officers of the various railway and steamship companies who have so generously granted the courtesies of free transportation to delegates and their families to and from Boston, and that the thanks of the Grand Division be tendered to the Western Union Telegraph Company for granting courtesies, and we especially thank the Pullman Palace Car Company, their officers and employes, for the many kind courtesies tendered ourselves and families, in granting free transportation to and from Boston, and to the Mayor of Boston for his kind invitation to this Grand Division for an excursion around the harbor, and also to the Boston, Park and Bijou theatres for courtesies extended, also to the conductors of the various roads centering in Boston, for their many kind attentions while in their beautiful city; also to the several hotels for their efforts in our behalf. And be it further

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to have two copies engrossed and sent George M. Pullman, President Pullman Palace Car Company, and one to George F. Brown, Assistant to the President Pullman Palace Car Company. And be it further

Resolved, That this Grand Division tender its grateful thanks to Mrs. C. S. Wheaton, for the able manner in which she has conducted the Ladies' Department of our journal (*Monthly*), and that a copy of this, our thanks, be given her.

R. E. FITZGERALD,
J. L. RICHARDSON,
I. H. KEEPERS,
ALLEN POTTER,
THOS. R. SIMPSON,

Committee.

By Evans, to accept the report and adopt the resolutions. Adopted unanimously.

ELECTION OF GRAND OFFICERS.

Grand Chief Conductor appointed Bros. J. B. W. Johnstone, Cross and Evans, tellers.

Nominations for members of Executive Committee:

H. S. Chapman nominated by Forker. Declined.

S. H. Defries nominated by Stewart. Declined.

E. H. Belknap nominated by Permar. Declined.

Hiram Hurty nominated by Richardson.

L. R. Carver nominated by Roberts. Declined.

W. E. Forker nominated by Chapman. Declined.

C. R. Ashton nominated by Cross. Declined.

Wm. A. Webster nominated by Ingram.

Ed. Coman nominated by Fitzgerald. Declined.

On the first ballot, tellers announced the vote as follows: Total, 150—Hurty, 110; Webster, 40. Chief Conductor declared Hiram Hurty duly elected a member of the Executive Committee for three years.

Nominations for Assistant Grand Chief Conductor:

E. H. Belknap nominated by Millard.

S. H. Defries nominated by Stewart. Declined.

L. R. Carver nominated by Permar.

Wm. J. Durbin nominated by Phelps.

Jas. Laughlin nominated by Blount. Declined.

Ed. Coman nominated by Unkefer. Declined.

C. R. Ashton nominated by Ragland. Declined.

H. S. Chapman nominated by Harnest. Declined.

P. F. Duffy nominated by Chase. Declined.

J. D. Hamilton nominated by Fay.

W. H. Ingram nominated by Douglas.

Wm. A. Webster nominated by Matlack.

On the first ballot, tellers announced the vote, as follows: Total, 145—Belknap, 72; Carver, 32; Durbin, 26; J. D. Hamilton, 1; Ingram, 10; Webster, 4.

No election. Carver, Durbin, Ingram and Webster withdrew their names.

By Carver, that Hurty be instructed to cast 149 votes for E. H. Belknap. Adopted.

Tellers announced 149 votes for E. H. Belknap and he was declared duly elected Assistant Grand Chief Conductor for the ensuing year.

Nominations for Grand Secretary and Treasurer :

Wm. P. Daniels nominated by Pennock. Declined.

H. S. Chapman nominated by Fitzgerald. Declined.

W. W. Flack nominated by Cross. Declined.

C. R. Ashton nominated by Schindler. Declined.

W. C. Cross nominated by Loughridge.

L. R. Carver nominated by Daniels. Declined.

O. Sackett nominated by Durbin.

Jas. Ogilvie nominated by Cameron. Declined.

Walter Lackey nominated by Evans. Declined.

R. Fitzgerald nominated by M. Ryan. Declined.

J. B. W. Johnstone nominated by Dillon.

S. H. Defries nominated by C. L. Wood. Declined.

Daniels again nominated by Carver and allowed the use of his name under the conditions ; first, no change would be made in the system of book-keeping ; second, that no removal from Cedar Rapids would be made during the first year.

On the first ballot tellers announced the vote as follows : Total, 152 ; Daniels, 127 ; Cross, 7 ; Sackett, 4 ; Johnstone, 14.

Grand Chief Conductor declared Wm. P. Daniels duly elected Grand Secretary and Treasurer for three years.

Nominations for Grand Senior Conductor.

Wm. J. Durbin nominated by Millard.

W. W. Flack nominated by Demorest.

L. R. Carver nominated by Randall. Declined.

Ed. Coman nominated by Defries. Declined.

A. H. Gardner nominated by Sheehan. Declined.

Frank Matlack nominated by Mansfield.

Wm. A. Webster nominated by Ingram.

E. B. Hunt nominated by Stewart.

W. H. Ingram nominated by Douglas. Declined.

J. B. W. Johnstone nominated by Duffy.

J. D. Hamilton nominated by McElroy.

G. R. Hammond nominated by Schindler.

J. M. Patterson nominated by Harnest.

Jas. Laughlin nominated by Mohler. Declined.

On the first ballot tellers announced the vote as follows : Total, 145 ; Durbin, 62 ; Flack, 11 ; Matlack, 5 ; Webster, 5 ; Hunt, 13 ; Johnstone, 16 ; Hamilton, 17 ; Hammond, 3 ; Patterson, 13.

No election. Matlack, Webster, Hunt, Hammond and Patterson withdrew. On second ballot tellers announced the vote as follows : Total, 137 ; Durbin, 96 ; Flack, 5 ; Johnstone, 14 ; Hamilton, 22.

Grand Chief Conductor declared Durbin duly elected Grand Senior Conductor for the ensuing year.

Minutes read and approved.

Grand Division closed at 6:30 P. M.

MORNING.

MONDAY, Oct. 27th, 1884.

Grand Division opened at 9:30 A. M.

Present. [see roll, pages 639, 640 and 641].

Nominations for Grand Junior Conductor

W. W. Flack nominated by Millard.

J. M. Patterson nominated by Collins.

D. H. Rogers nominated by Bycraft. Declined.

Chas. Stewart nominated by Defries.
 W. C. Cross nominated by J. F. Ryan.
 W. O. Mohler nominated by Unkefer.
 Fred L. Chase nominated by Savage.
 J. D. Hamilton nominated by Hunn.
 J. B. W. Johnstone nominated by Cross. Declined.
 C. F. Rexinger nominated by Hussey.
 Frank Matlack nominated by Mansfield.
 M. Hoadley nominated by Parks.
 M. R. Mansfield nominated by Sullivan.
 L. R. Carver nominated by Gaylord.

On first ballot tellers announced the vote as follows : Total, 147 ; Flack, 37 ; Patterson, 16 ; Stewart, 29 ; Hoadley, 3 ; Cross, 4 ; Mohler, 11 ; Chase, 11 ; Matlack, 4 ; Hamilton, 13 ; Rexinger, 12 ; Mansfield, 3.

No election. Hoadley, Matlack and Mansfield withdrew. On second ballot tellers announced the vote as follows : Total, 144 ; Flack, 72 ; Hamilton, 8 ; Mohler, 8 ; Stewart, 29 ; Cross, 2 ; Patterson, 6 ; Rexinger, 3 ; Chase, 16.

No election. Rexinger withdrew.

On the third ballot tellers announced the vote as follows : Total, 143 ; Flack, 101 ; Hamilton, 2 ; Stewart, 22 ; Patterson, 1 ; Chase, 16.

Grand Chief Conductor declared W. W. Flack duly elected Grand Junior Conductor for the ensuing year.

Nominations for Grand Inside Sentinel.

P. F. Duffey nominated by Pennock.
 W. O. Mohler nominated by Chapman.
 Chas. Stewart nominated by Defries.
 M. R. Mansfield nominated by Matlack.
 A. Cameron nominated by Ogilvie.
 J. D. Hamilton nominated by Hunn.
 E. J. Richmond nominated by Mansfield. Declined.
 B. F. Blount nominated by Qualtrough. Declined.
 Benj. Grist nominated by Fay. Declined.
 Henry Case nominated by Ragland.

On the first ballot the tellers announced the vote as follows : Total, 144 ; Duffy, 9 ; Stewart, 40 ; Cameron, 8 ; Case, 4 ; Mohler, 73 ; Mansfield, 3 ; Hamilton, 7.

Grand Chief Conductor declared W. O. Mohler duly elected Grand Inside Sentinel for the ensuing year.

Nominations for Grand Outside Sentinel.

L. H. Grover nominated by Millard.
 J. M. Patterson nominated by Durbin. Declined.
 J. D. Hamilton nominated by Blount. Declined.
 Geo. E. Pennock nominated by Chapman. Declined.

Chas. Stewart nominated by Hunt. Declined.

H. E. Cronin nominated by Schindler.

S. A. Hunn nominated by J. D. Hamilton.

J. B. Copeland nominated by Simpson. Declined.

Wes. Permar nominated by Rexinger. Declined.

F. A. Bunnell nominated by Bycraft.

On the first ballot tellers announced the vote as follows : Total, 147 ; Grover, 19 ; Hunn, 23 ; Hunt, 9 ; Cronin, 85 ; Bunnell, 8 ; Patterson, 2.

Grand Chief Conductor declared H. E. Cronin duly elected Grand Outside Sentinel for the ensuing year.

Nominations for member Insurance Committee.

Sam. Phipps nominated by Millard.

Orange Sackett nominated by Durbin.

Allen Potter nominated by Forker.

Wm. H. Ingram nominated by Defries.

J. H. Archer nominated by Bunnell. Declined.

Jas. Ogilvie nominated by Cameron. Declined.

C. H. Wilkins nominated by Rexinger.

On the first ballot the tellers announced the votes as follows : Total, 137 ; Phipps, 30 ; Potter, 12 ; Wilkins, 5 ; Sackett, 31 ; Ingram, 59.

No election.

On second ballot the tellers announced the votes as follows : Total, 139 ; Phipps, 11 ; Potter, 5 ; Sackett, 23 ; Ingram, 100.

Grand Chief Conductor declared Wm. H.-Ingram duly elected a member the Insurance Committee for two years.

Nominations for the place of holding the next annual session.

Louisville, Ky., nominated by McElroy.

Hamilton, Ontario, nominated by Ogilvie.

Baltimore, Md., nominated by Savage.

Cincinnati, Ohio, nominated by Matlack.

Chicago, Ill., nominated by Kaywood.

LaCrosse, Wis., nominated by Willott.

Indianapolis, Ind., nominated by Schindler.

Columbus, Ohio, nominated by Sullivan.

On the first ballot the tellers announced the vote as follows ; Total, 146 ; Louisville, 112 ; Hamilton, 8 ; Baltimore, 4 ; Cincinnati, 1 ; Chicago, 13 ; LaCrosse, 5 ; Indianapolis, 2 ; Columbus, 1.

Grand Chief Conductor declared that the next regular session of the Grand Division would be held in Louisville, Kentucky.

The Grand Officers were then regularly installed by L. R. Carver, Deputy Grand Chief Conductor, and James Laughlin, Marshal.

Grand Chief Conductor appointed as the commission to make inquiry as to permanent location of the offices of the Order, as provided by the Grand

Division, Bros. Hiram Hurty, Chairman, R. E. Fitzgerald, John Harnest, J. E. McCarthy, Geo. E. Pennock, Chas. Stewart and E. Hamilton.

By Johnstone :

WHEREAS, In view of the royal treat given the members of the 17th annual session of our Grand Division, visiting brothers, their wives and families, of the Order of Railway Conductors, by the management of the Old Colony Railway, in adding to our pleasure and profit by giving us an excursion to Plymouth, Mass., thus enabling us to visit that city of renown where the first spark of religious and political fire was kindled, and to view the many objects of interest made sacred to all by their intimate connection with the history of our country. Be it, therefore,

Resolved, That while words cannot express our gratitude for this splendid entertainment, we still wish to convey to the Old Colony management our sincere thanks, and we trust that every member of the Order may show by action that this compliment from them is heartily appreciated. And be it further

Resolved, That we extend to Conductor C. H. Pickering and assistants our sincere thanks for the excellent treatment received at their hands while under their care in going to and returning from Plymouth, and also to all who so heartily interested themselves in our behalf on this pleasant occasion.

Resolved, By this Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors, that the action of the Pilgrim Society, of Plymouth, Mass., in making this body their special guests on Sunday, Oct. 20th, deserves more than ordinary notice at our hands. And be it further

Resolved, That we return our heartfelt thanks to the Pilgrim Society, and that an engrossed copy of these resolutions be forwarded to the Society. Be it further

Resolved, That, in order to carry out the provisions of this resolution, \$25.00 be drawn from the treasury, and the Grand Secretary and Treasurer be authorized to use the same in having the resolutions engrossed, framed and forwarded to the Society.

By Carver, to adopt resolutions. Adopted *unanimously*.

Secret work of the Order exemplified by the Grand Chief Conductor.

Grand Division closed in regular form.

C. S. WHEATON,
Grand Chief Conductor.

WM. P. DANIELS,
Grand Secretary & Treasurer.

GRAND OFFICERS.

GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR, CALVIN S. WHEATON,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

ASS'T GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR, E. H. BELKNAP,
Galesburg, Illinois.

GRAND SECRETARY AND TREASURER, WM. P. DANIELS,
Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

GRAND SENIOR CONDUCTOR, WILLIAM J. DURBIN,
726 Clybourn Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

GRAND JUNIOR CONDUCTOR, WILLIAM W. FLACK,
Park Hotel, Hannibal, Missouri.

GRAND INSIDE SENTINEL, W. O. MOHLER,
The Dalles, Oregon.

GRAND OUTSIDE SENTINEL, H. E. CRONIN,
117 Broadway, South Boston, Massachusetts.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

J. S. RANDOLPH, Chairman, Brockville, Ontario.	}	TERM EXPIRES October, 1885.
JOHN N. ROBINSON, 401 Eleventh Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin.		October, 1886.
HIRAM HURTY, Elmira, New York.		October, 1887.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

C. S. WHEATON, Chairman, Cedar Rapids, Iowa.	}	TERM EXPIRES October, 1887.
C. A. MILLARD, 714 College Avenue, Elmira, New York.		October, 1885.
WM. H. INGRAM, Box 265, St. Thomas, Ontario.		October, 1886.

PAST GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTORS.

WM. L. COLLINS,	ISAAC N. HODGES,
JOHN B. MORFORD,	CYRUS A. STANCHFIELD,
JOSEPH H. KIMBALL.	

PERMANENT MEMBERS.

WILLIAM L. COLLINS,	ISAAC N. HODGES,
JOHN B. MORFORD,	CYRUS A. STANCHFIELD,
BEN. ARNUM.	JOSEPH H. KIMBALL,
CALVIN S. WHEATON,	CHARLES R. ASHTON,
HARRISON S. CHAPMAN,	LUTHER R. CARVER,
ISAAC F. DAVIDSON,	WILLIAM J. JACKMAN,
FRANK ROSENCRAZ,	SAM. A. HERMAN,
F. CHARLES AECHTERNACHT,	WILLIAM P. DANIELS,
HENRY SHEW,	RICHARD E. FITZGERALD,
WINFIELD S. DUNN,	JOSEPH H. ARCHER,
MICHAEL RYAN,	ANDREW D. BROWN,
EDGAR B. HUNT,	ETHAN A. STONE,
E. OLIN SOULE,	JAMES C. WHISSEN,
SAMUEL H. DEFRIES,	EDWARD L. FAY,
JAMES OGILVIE,	JOHN S. RANDOLPH.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
GRAND DIVISION
OF THE
ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS
AT THE
EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL SESSION,

HELD IN THE CITY OF LOUISVILLE, KY.,

OCTOBER 20, 1885.

(729)



JONATHAN SEXTON RANDOLPH.

Executive Committee.

Order of Railway Conductors.

OFFICE OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, January 13, 1886.

BROTHERS:—In conformity to the law as expressed by your Grand Division, at Louisville, Kentucky, the members of the Executive Committee met at the permanent headquarters in Chicago, Illinois, on Saturday, January 9, 1886, to examine the books and the accounts of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, Bro. Wm. P. Daniels.

Having secured the services of a competent expert, Mark C. Farr, we did not deem it necessary to go through the same formula which he was obliged to do in order to make a true and faithful report of said books and accounts. Below will be found a sworn statement of his labors which we, as guardians of the best interests of the Order of Railway Conductors, believe to be correct in every particular.

STATE OF IOWA, }
LINN COUNTY. } ss.

I, Mark C. Farr, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, being duly sworn on my oath, do say, that from the 1st to the 10th of October, A. D. 1885, inclusive, I examined the Books, Accounts and Vouchers of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Order of Railway Conductors, and corrected all errors, balanced books, and brought balances forward, and to the best of my knowledge and belief they were correct and in accordance with reports made thereon.

MARK C. FARR,

Book-keeper and Accountant.

Dated, January 11th, 1886.

Subscribed and sworn to before me and in my presence by the said Mark C. Farr, this 11th day of January, A. D. 1886.

W. L. CRISSMAN,

Notary Public in and for Linn County, Iowa.

Your attention is hereby called to Circular No. 1. It is absolutely necessary that all divisions adhere closely to this plan, as the cases of

grievances are becoming so frequent that unless the course outlined is strictly followed, it will be impossible for the Grand Chief Conductor to attend to them all. Bro. Wheaton is exerting his utmost to cover all the necessary ground, and you are urged to assist him in every way possible, so that the benefit accruing from his labors may be wide-spread.

requests for transportation will be referred to some of the brothers, and it is hoped that the matter will be acted upon promptly so that the calls of the Grand Chief Conductor may be answered without delay for the necessary transportation.

We find the headquarters of the Order of Railway Conductors located in the City of Chicago, Illinois, at No. 115 Dearborn Street, where your Grand Officers believe to be for our mutual good. The executive and editorial force, consisting of C. S. Wheaton and Wm. P. Daniels, are working with renewed energy to make the Order what we trust you desire it to be, *i. e.*, second to no other in the world. We also find their efforts ably seconded by their assistants, and our only wonder is that they are able to perform their duties in as satisfactory manner as they do.

In conclusion, we would say, they alone cannot make this year one of the most prosperous this organization has ever seen, but it will require the help of each and every brother of the Order. Let every one who has not taken hold of the insurance, do so before another month rolls around; it is the bulwark of our noble Order. Quadruple the subscriptions to the magazine, as by so doing you not only lessen the contributions of every member in your dues and expenses, but encourage its editor to still greater efforts. Meet every responsibility in a manly and generous manner and aid and encourage your Grand Chief in his labors to place the Order at the front of all similar organizations.

Above all, strive to outdo each other in brotherly love and perpetual friendship, and remember us, not alone as your Executive Committee, but in every act and word as your friends and brothers.

J. N. ROBINSON,

H. HURTY.

E. H. BELKNAP,

Executive Committee.

PROCEEDINGS.

LIEDERKRANZ HALL, LOUISVILLE, KY. }
Tuesday, Oct. 20, 1885. }

The eighteenth regular session of the Grand Division opened in form with the following present:

ROLL OF MEMBERS.

NAMES.	No. of Div.	TUES.		WED.		THURS.		FRI.		SATUR.		MON.	
		AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
Wheaton, C. S.	G.C.C.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Belknap, E. H.	A.S.C.C.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Daniels, W. P.	G.S.&T.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Durbin, W. J.	G.S.C.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Flack, W. W.	G.J.C.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Loughbridge, G. M.	G.O.S.	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mohler, W. O.	G.I.S.	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Conner, A. W.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1
Richmond, E. J.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Compton, M. F.		3	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
McMurray, R. S.		4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dewey, Geo.		5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3.50	1	1	1
Parker, A. S.		6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Martin, J. A.		7	1	3.20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Brown, G. H.		8	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Burr, C. A.		9	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Roadley, Miles		10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Unkefer, J. W.		11	0	1	3.50	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Duffey, P. F.		12	0	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Jones, T. C.		13	1	1	1	1	1	1000	1	1	1	1	1
Bunnell, F. A.		14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Lewis, Wm.		15	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Douglas, Adam		16	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hall, J. H.		17	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sebree, M. E.		18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Johnston, A. A.		19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hyde, M. N.		20	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Potter, Allen		21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Phelps, G. B.		22	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Stadler, A. W.		23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Flint, F. W.		24	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Gordon, F. J.		25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sears, W. S.		26	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ogilvie, Jas.		27	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Smith, L. T.		28	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Chapman, A.		29	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Smith, G. B.		30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cross, W. C.		31	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Everts, C. W.		32	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Collins, S. T.		33	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cronk, H. A. P.		34	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Park, W. L.		35	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
German, L.		36	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Phipps, Sam.		37	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Winter, O. O.		38	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Arnold, Wm.		39	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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NAMES.	No. of Div.	TUES.		WED.		THURS.		FRI.		SATUR.		SATUR. EVEG.	MON.	
		AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM		AM	PM
Willard, R. L.	40	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wilkins, C. H.	41	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ginn, Harvey	42	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Caldwell, W. H.	43	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wilder, Asa	44	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Vincent, Frank	45	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Vannaman, A. L.	46	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Crawford, I. B.	47	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Howard, Jas.	48	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Heather, J. A.	49	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0
Brigham, Chas. S.	50	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Caperton, B. F.	51	0	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	0	0	1	1	1	1
Cole, Ira B.	52	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Garrettson, A. B.	53	0	1	9.58	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Swayze, S. J.	54	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sullivan, E. P.	55	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dillon, C. B.	56	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bailey, Alf.	57	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Gaylord, A. E.	58	1	1	9.58	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Powell, J. B.	59	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1
Cornelius, W. J.	60	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
Tripp, Fred. R.	61	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Gardner, A. H.	62	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hancock, W. P.	63	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1
Peters, C. H.	64	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	Ex.	1	1	1
Butt, A. D.	65	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Roberts, J. R.	66	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Jackson, F. A.	67	0	0	10.55	1	1	1	10.05	1	1	1	1	1	1
Johnstone, J. B. W.	68	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gillett, W. J.	69	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sitts, Fenimore	70	1	1	1	1	1	1	10.05	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sloan, T. R.	71	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bycraft, Robert	72	0	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	0	1
Stearns, Fred.	73	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	74	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	0	0
	75	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
McCarthy, J. F.	76	1	3.21	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
Carnahan, S. E.	77	0	1	9.58	1	1	1	Ex. 3.18	1	1	1	1	1	1
Johnson, F. E.	78	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Permar, Wes.	79	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Burns, Ed.	80	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0	0	0	0	0	0
Parker, C. C.	81	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mills, H. B.	82	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Flynn, Ed.	83	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Lewis, C. H.	84	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Roberts, L. W.	85	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Roberts, R.	86	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Powles, S. T.	87	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cross, C. K.	88	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dodson, C. S.	89	1	3.26	9.59	1	9.55	1	2.55	0	1	1	1	1	1
Priest, Harry	90	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Laughlin, Jas.	91	1	3.22	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1
Lovejoy, Geo. W.	92	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ellis, J. L.	93	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Simpkins, G. W.	94	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dennison, B. F.	95	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Reese, F. H.	96	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Boyden, J. M.	97	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Curran, D. D.	98	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Glenn, A. W.	99	1	3.30	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Snipes, W. R.	100	0	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
McIntock, J. H.	101	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hamilton, E.	102	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Leifer, Wm.	103	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Weisz, C. E.	104	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Harris, R. E.	105	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

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NAMES.	No. of Div.	TUES.		WED.		THURS.		FRI.		SATUR.		SATUR. EVEG.	MON.	
		AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM		AM	PM
Yantis, Ira.....	106	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mathers, S. M.....	107	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Potter, P. H.....	108	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
McBain, L.....	109	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Alexander, E. W.....	110	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Defores, J. L.....	111	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1
Davis, J. L.....	112	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
McDougal, W. H.....	113	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Wallace, H. F.....	114	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	115	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	116	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Benson, M. P.....	117	1	3.12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Strang, W. J.....	118	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sheehan, W. P.....	119	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Little, E. J.....	120	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	0
Pechin, F. R.....	121	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Richardson, T. S.....	122	1	1	9.57	1	1	1	1002	1	1	1	1	1	1
	123	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Balcock, D. W.....	124	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Cutter, A. H.....	125	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fairbrass, J. J.....	126	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Graves, Homer.....	127	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hammond, G. R.....	128	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Howe, J. B.....	129	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Adams, S. H.....	130	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1
Kitto, J.....	131	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Nelson, C. L.....	132	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ives, J. L.....	133	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Crawford, E. L.....	134	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0	0
Cowardin, R. C.....	135	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1000	1	Ex.	0	0
Waldron, W.....	136	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bowden, B. H.....	137	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Bell, C. N.....	138	1	1	1025	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0
Stevenson, C. L.....	139	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0
Hardy, J. H.....	140	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
McDonald, T. J.....	141	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kelley, L. C.....	142	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Albright, H. T.....	143	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0	0
Campbell, J. C.....	144	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	1	1	1
	145	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Allen, L. P.....	146	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Parks, Genthner.....	147	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mitchell, T. M.....	148	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Harris, W. N.....	149	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
King, C. F.....	150	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Flagg, C. W.....	151	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Johnston, J. T.....	152	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Blakslee, E. H.....	153	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Collins, M. F.....	154	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Worden, W. P.....	155	0	3.10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kirkbride, J. B.....	156	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hammond, C. F.....	157	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	158	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moran, H. H.....	159	0	1	1000	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Winder, Jas.....	160	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fessenden, Jr. C. B.....	161	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1
Maxwell, W. J.....	162	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Burns, J. C.....	163	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Burley, J. W.....	164	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
White, A. G.....	165	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Moore, F. M.....	166	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Eggleston, D. G.....	167	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Chittenden, S. D.....	168	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
McDonald, R. M.....	169	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1
Ancker, J. P.....	170	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ross, T. G.....	171	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	0

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		AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM		AM	PM
Mitchell, T. M.	172	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0
Baker, C. H.	173	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fowler, Paris.	174	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	1	1	1	1	1
Cook, C. E.	175	1	1	1	1	1	1	1002	1	1	1	1	1	1
Richardson, Rob't	176	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
	177	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Collins, P. J.	178	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1
Coman, Ed.	179	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Mangum, C. W.	180	0	0	0	1	1	1	1003	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kopp, John.	181	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
McKain, Jo.	182	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Taylor, S. M.	183	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Pugh, C. E.	184	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
English, W. H.	185	0	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0
Shumate, C. F.	186	0	1	1	1	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1
Arnum, Ben.	Perm.	0	0	1005	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Chapman, H. S.	Perm.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Carver, L. R.	Perm.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Collins, W. L.	Perm.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Shew, Henry.	Perm.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Rosencranz, F.	Perm.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Kimball, J. H.	P.G.C.C.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hunt, E. B.	Perm.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Stanchfield, C. A.	P.G.C.C.	0	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Fitzgerald, R. E.	Perm.	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Stone, E. A.	Perm.	1	3.10	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0	1	Ex.	0
Sackett, O.	Asso. Ed.	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0
Robinson, J. N.	Ex. Com.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Hurty, Hiram.	Ex. Com.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Aechternacht, F.C.	Perm.	1	3.12	9.50	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Forker, W. E.	Asso. Ed.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Harnest, J. E.	Loc. Com.	0	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Ryan, J. F.	Loc. Com.	0	1	1	0	1	1	Ex.	0	0	1	0	0	0
McCarthy, J. E.	Loc. Com.	0	1	0	0	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
Millard, C. A.	Ins. Com.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Ex.	0	0	1
Ingram, W. H.	Ins. Com.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	0

The G. C. C. appointed L. German Grand Outside Sentinel *pro tem*.

Resolution No. 1 was offered by Bro. Richmond, as follows :

Resolved, That the official stenographer be obligated and admitted to keep a record of the proceedings of this Grand Division.

Moved by Bro. Millard to adopt. By Bro. Cross, to lay on the table. Motion to lay on the table adopted. By Burr, to reconsider. Motion lost.

On motion of Bro. Phipps, delegates from Divisions No. 3, 11, 12, 36, 51, 53, 65, 77, 82, 92, 98, 100, 101, 111, 119, 140, 149, 155, 159, 163, 186, were admitted upon becoming responsible for amounts due from their respective divisions.

On motion of Bro. Phipps, delegate from Div. No. 86 was admitted upon pledging himself to see that the report of his division was sent within thirty days.

The G. C. C. then appointed the following committees :

ON GRAND OFFICERS' REPORTS - Bros. Phipps, Permar, Vannaman, Coman and Wallace.

ON DIVISION REPORTS — Bros. Gardner, Caperton, Wilkins, Duffey and Daniels.

ON FINANCE — Bros. Carver, Garrettson, Cowardin, Ives and McMurray.

JURISPRUDENCE — Bros. Chapman, Forker, White, Ogilvie and E. Hamilton.

GRIEVANCES AND APPEALS — Bros. C. F. Hammond, Hoadley, Harris, Parker and Kimball.

REPORT OF THE G. C. C.

BROTHERS :

Annual sessions of our Grand Division are always pleasant occasions. The brethren come from the various sections of this broad land to renew old friendships, receive brotherly greetings, and more important than all, hear the report of your servants and to devise and carry out such measures as will the better protect and benefit the members of the Order.

It is a peculiar assembly, made up of brothers of a Grand Order, each coming fresh from his division, and it is not to be wondered at that many times during the session discussion becomes earnest as each brother tries to carry out his instruction. All cannot prevail; some must give way to the will of the majority, and as our most solemn obligation rings in our ears, let us "yield a cheerful compliance to the will of that majority" under the laws which we have made.

It is, we believe, a truism that it requires no effort whatever to float with the tide; but when the reverse is the case, it requires strong, manly courage to cope with the increasing responsibility. It is then that those who have never been called upon to breast the waves get discouraged and begin to look back, and would fain at every turn of the wheel take some new and, to outside appearances, easier road. The Order of Railway Conductors has demonstrated the above to be literally true. There are those within the sound of my voice who could give you experiences that would verify the expression. Away back in the dim past, methinks I can see a little band of earnest men assembled in a much smaller hall than this, engaged in similar deliberations. "What shall we do to build up an organization that will be a lasting benefit to the conductors of this country?" was the question. They were, in most part, old men; the gray locks upon their heads marked them as men who had seen many years of experience. Their deliberations were honest and earnest. Then and there was the corner stone of this magnificent structure laid. They have watched it as earnestly and carefully as they would a child; they saw it creep, stand alone, then walk forth boldly as a man of full strength and stature; they have builded even better than they ever anticipated. These were the framers of our grand and glorious Order. They went out into the public places in the land and invited all worthy conductors to come and help them. From that time until now they have come of "*their own free will*," and have been received into full and complete membership in our Order. The platform that they put forth was a peculiar one, being anti-strike, temperance and friendship. Upon this

platform the Order has been built, gained its growth, and now stands like a wall of rock furnishing protection to its members. This brings us to the question, "*What is the Order of Railway Conductors?*" We will try and answer it from the records of the Order. We find, on consulting them, that a call for conductors to meet in Columbus, Ohio, on Dec. 15, 1868, was issued by A. G. Black and G. Z. Cruzen, and in it will be found these words: "The object being to protect ourselves and families in case of sickness, accident, or death," and from this call dates the first re-organization of our Order. The articles and laws there adopted were in full accord with the above call; there was then no ritual. At a meeting of the Grand Division, held in Chicago, June 15, 1869, a resolution was adopted that any brother who should engage in the sale of intoxicating liquor should be suspended from the Order. At this meeting the first journal was discussed. This annual meeting adjourned to meet in Buffalo, N. Y. We quote from the address P. G. C. C. Black delivered at that meeting, as follows:

"The very existence of this organization depends upon the action of this convention. With these feelings, and a great anxiety on my part, I desire to say something to you that will encourage you and all our brethren throughout the country to persevere in the right until our character and standing as a society shall be acknowledged as worthy of the high position to which we aim, and shall have secured the confidence and approval of all railroad officials who are willing to give their conductors credit in proportion to their conduct and ability." We would like to give the address in full, but space forbids. At the session held in Indianapolis, Nov. 1st, 1872, a ritual was prepared and adopted, and the clause in the Constitution relative to members using the liquor was made to read, "expelled," instead of "suspended." Quoting from the annual address of P. G. C. C. Silsbee, at Baltimore, we find the principles were clearly defined, as follows: "As one's aim is to teach one another in our business, as well as to aid and assist in the discharge of our duties while on the road, I know our officers will assist us." Again, "The main object of our society is to educate and improve ourselves and our fellow men up to a higher standard, and make that standard commensurate with our responsibility as conductors."

"My brothers, as we advance our mental training we will advance our wages. The public to-day are looking to us for a reformation, and by the help of God we will try and satisfy them." Again, "The public are anxiously watching us; they are the jury before whom we are arraigned. Shall the verdict be guilty or not guilty?" We commend the last to every brother in this hall. Our past G. C. C., though dead, still speaks to us in words of wisdom. Section 1, of the Constitution adopted at that time, reads, "And its purposes shall be to more effectually combine the interests of railroad conductors, to elevate their standing as such, and their character as men." On page 18, of same, will be found the article that compelled all division secretaries to notify superintendents when a member was expelled from the Order. G. C. C. Cruzen in his address at Baltimore, stated that he had interviewed high officers from North, South, East and

West, and that he was pleased to state that they preferred Brotherhood men to others. On page 52, Omaha proceedings, we find the resolution that ultimately changed the Order to a non-striking Order. Although it had always been so considered, it was not until this time; the resolution was unanimously adopted. The assembly of the next annual meeting in Elmira, N. Y., followed closely after the great strike of 1877, and all the delegates were alive to the emergency of the occasion. The Order had lost some seven or eight divisions and about 400 members who violated their obligations, lost their situations and became outcasts on this account. At this meeting, to meet the exigencies of the occasion, the following preambles and resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, The Order of Conductors' Brotherhood is judged by the conduct of its individual members; and,

WHEREAS, We believe that our aims and objects are misconstrued by outside parties through negligence of individual members to support and advocate the two essential principles of the Conductors' Brotherhood, viz., temperance and the total opposition to unlawful and violent uprisings of employees, termed strikes; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the members of this Grand Division do order the following resolution:

Resolved, That it shall be the duty of all members of the Order to stand for and advocate the essential principles of the Order, and it shall be deemed a violation of our obligation for any brother to refuse or neglect to perform the above mentioned duties.

Resolved, That in case any brother shall engage in a strike of railway employees, he shall be expelled, and the secretary of his division shall notify all superintendents within his reach of the fact of his expulsion and the cause therefor.

Adopted unanimously. The last resolution being superfluous, as the law read in full accord with it at that time. At Chicago the Grand Division ordered the following circular issued:

To Railway Managers and Superintendents:

GENTLEMEN—At the Eleventh Annual Convention of the Order of Railway Conductors (formerly Conductors' Brotherhood), the undersigned were directed to issue this circular, to the end that you may become fully conversant with our aims and objects.

1. We are unconditionally opposed to all strikes or sentiments which will tend in that direction, and everything detrimental to the interests of the railway property of the country.

2. No conductor can become a member of this Order who does not possess the entire confidence of and faithfully labor for the best interests of the company by whom he is employed.

3. No person can retain his membership in this Order who indulges in intoxicating liquors as a beverage to any extent whatever.

4. Any member appearing on duty under the influence of liquor, will be expelled from the Order, and information of his expulsion will be immediately forwarded to all superintendents.

5. Our aim is to secure a better class of men to take charge of your trains and to thereby render you important aid in operating your respective lines of road.

6. Our motto is perpetual friendship, and with it, honesty and virtue, and we invite you to aid us in what we believe to be a worthy undertaking—the organization of your conductors into divisions of the Order of Railway Conductors, not to the detriment of railway companies, but for their benefit, and at the same time for the benefit of an important class of your employes.

We strive, gentlemen, to make our Order one of which no superintendent of a railway need be ashamed to become a member, and we bespeak your support and confidence, trusting that you will give this circular your careful consideration. [Signatures of committee.]

This was the second public promulgation of principles by order of the Grand Division. In these years that have passed no one knows the struggles the Order passed through except those who have stood by and witnessed it. I give you these facts, hurriedly gleaned from the files of proceedings, to show the basis of the whole fabric. We have nowhere in all the records of the Order found aught that would point to interference of Grand Officers in the affairs of members of the Order and their officers, except where the Order was specially concerned. We are led, however, to believe that this idea is a borrowed one from the plan of other organizations of our associate employes.

We are well aware that in all our organizations there are those who gain admission who will always be, in a measure, dissatisfied. Verily, they are never at peace unless at war. These brothers are honest in purpose, but they consider every one else dishonest but themselves. Now you can see at a glance that this is very inconsistent in any brother. Hence, during the past year, I have been roundly censured for advocating measures that were advocated and have had the sympathy of the Order since its conception. I refer, in part, to the black list. I will give you what we understand it to be :

Every railway company and all first-class business houses keep a record of every employe that enters their employ, and it runs like this : Name of party, date of entering the service, date of leaving and cause. The Order of Railway Conductors keep a like record, and we, again, have date of entering the Order, time of leaving and cause. You will find under the latter head given the facts that pertain to said cause in both cases. This is the black list, or black record, as it should more properly be called. Do the brothers discover any similarity in the two records? Let us look farther. General superintendents of our lines give information, when deemed necessary, to those in charge of the employment of men in various departments of their own road, of these records made when men leave the service in order to protect the interests of the company *they* say. By your order the

General Superintendent of the Order sends you a list each month of those dismissed from our service, and the cause, in order to protect the interest of the Order, *you* say.

Do you still note the comparison? But, you say, we are a secret society; they are a corporation. Granted. *What* is a corporation? We answer: "A body of men banded together to mutually benefit themselves." What is the Order? A body of men banded together to mutually benefit themselves. Now, if the brothers have followed me closely, you have the reason why the *Monthly* has taken the stand that it has. We could not condemn others for doing what we do ourselves.

We regret that a few of our companies exchange copies of these black records with each other; this is where the harm comes to the employe in the service. The Order does not do this, hence this is where it disagrees with these lines of railways. Should we exchange our records with the B. of L. E., B. of L. F., and B. of R. B., then we would occupy the same ground as do those who exchange their black records with each other. This would be an abuse of the record and what the *Monthly* has ever fought against. An employe may not be able to give satisfaction with one company, may benefit by his experience and make a most acceptable employe of another; hence the practice is wrong, and they who do this go farther than any man or body of men in justice can go, and should receive the condemnation of all men. The above are the facts of the case as we understand them, deduced from your acts in past years and your platform of to-day.

Not a word of the above reflected my views; it is drawn from sober, solid facts which your acts for the past ten years verify. So who is the party to blame, if any blame at all can be attached to the consistent course of the *Monthly*? Yet members of our own Order (we are glad to say they are few) have rushed into print condemning the editor, who has been called almost everything by them, simply because he, with the advice and assistance of the editorial staff, did as you had told him. Is this the way "the good name of a brother is to be defended when assailed" by brothers of our Order?

The editorial staff of the *Monthly* were unanimous in the views expressed, and as we were obliged to take the matter up or be censured for being afraid to, we decided to take the course outlined, as we were hardly prepared to sit down and write articles in which we would say that we knew better what you wanted than you did yourselves, after your expressions on the same subject had been so plainly given, and we thought that if anyone was to say you had made a mistake, we preferred that the Order do it, and not we.

The matter of members of our Order using liquor on duty has been forcibly brought to my notice several times during the year. This is a matter that should call for vigorous action on the part of the Chief Conductors of our divisions, but we regret to say that we have several times been obliged to call attention of our divisions to facts of this kind. Such acts are not only a violation of the principles of our Order, but they are

against the interests of the man himself and the company, and those who stand by and say nothing simply make the road down hill that much the easier to travel. When he falls at the end, those who have helped him are as much to blame as he. Cases have occurred this year where brothers have been discharged for intoxication on duty, and not a move made on the part of the division until called upon to do something in the case. Brothers of our Order have also been allowed to open saloons and sell liquor in open violation of their obligation, and not a move was made to punish them until called upon to do so. These matters should bring to us the fact that we need a more thorough observance of our laws by those in charge of our subordinate divisions. Brothers, let us one and all see to it that these matters are promptly looked after in the future, for they reflect on our reputation as members and the Order at large.

SPECIAL DEPUTIES.

We have in past years employed special deputies to do the work of organizing divisions, and there has been paid out for this work a total of \$398.88, which is an average of \$9.33 each, against \$10.20 last year. This shows a marked improvement for the better in the matter of expense in organization.

MY WORK

Our printing contract not expiring with the *Gazette* Company until January 1, 1885, we could not move the office until that time to our present location, which we did about January 1st, of this year. We were disappointed in our rooms, so that we did not get into them and settled until about February 1st. Since that time I have traveled over 35,000 miles in your interests; visited personally fifty divisions; attended union meetings and met during the seven months' time representatives of 130 divisions. If all the dates had been accepted, I would have met some twenty more, but to tell the truth, brothers, I became somewhat discouraged after giving some twenty dates, of which only three were accepted, they being on Sunday. All of the divisions cannot be visited on Sunday; some must arrange meeting, if possible, on week days. At our last annual meeting in Boston there was a marked desire for me to visit divisions of the Order, and it was asked that some of the work be taken off in order that I might be free to do so, but you will note by the proceedings that it was not done. I am now, and always have been willing, yes, anxious, to do your work promptly and satisfactorily, but I cannot be in two places at one time, neither can I do two kinds of work at once; there seems to be a feeling that even if I cannot, I ought to be able to.

In regard to the editorial work of the *Monthly*, I did not desire to undertake it in the first place, yet upon your order I did so; you continued it last year although you were asked to relieve me. While I am willing to do as ordered, yet I do still think you have many in the Order who are better fitted for this work than I, and that you ought to select them and put them

in charge at once. We have had the satisfaction, however, of demonstrating the fact that the Order can publish a magazine, and are making it a success even with a lukewarm support from the Order.

There are some other matters that I desire to call your attention to in regard to the work of the G. C. C. Complaint has been made by some that I did not give my personal attention to the reinstatement of brothers who were discharged from the service of our railway companies. The question has been asked during the year, if it is not the duty of the G. C. C. to intercede for the brothers in these matters. Without saying whether I have or have not done this work during the year, is there a member of the Grand Division or a brother of our Order that can point to the Article or Section of the law that gives me the right to use your time in doing it? Can you point to any order in our proceedings that directs me to do so? If there is, I would certainly like to see it. On the contrary, the policy of the Order has always been that divisions should settle the grievances they may have, with their own officers, and I believe every Past Grand Officer, and those who have known the Order from its infancy will verify my remarks. Do not understand me as saying what you shall do at this annual meeting, but I desire to call your attention to these facts in order that you may remedy them if you desire. At our last annual meeting a resolution was offered in regard to a Grievance Committee to settle these matters, and the decision by the Grand Division was, that divisions had a right to have such committees without any additional legislation. This, you see, points directly in accord with the above statement.

Cases of the above have been brought to my notice, and I have done what my conscience told me was right in the matter in the absence of law to govern it. Our intercourse with officers of lines and brothers of our Order has been pleasant and profitable on all occasions. We can safely say that to-day there is no organization that has the confidence of the companies as fully as the Order of Railway Conductors. As I have heard many times remarked, "They mind their own business, are faithful and earnest, carrying out the principles of the Order more fully than we were ever led to anticipate."

On July 24th I was taken sick from over-exertion, and unable to do any work for two weeks. I took the greater part of the leave of absence you gave me, but at the same time kept the work up. I have been censured, and I think unjustly, by some old divisions for not visiting them when I had done so twice and three times in previous years, but I did not feel warranted in neglecting important work to go and see them unless absolutely necessary. I ought to be capable of judging in what way I should spend your time to your advantage, and it is certainly very unpleasant to work hard all the time, and hear complaints coming from one quarter while engaged in another in doing my best to keep up. I invite you to look over carefully the work performed under your laws and orders issued for my government, for I stand here to-day with conscience clear. I have used my talents to your benefit within my best judgment, but I am human, and if the members

of the Order expect perfection in me they are mistaken. I can at the same time stand before you with feelings of pride when viewing this vast assembly. The first time I spoke to you from the rostrum as your Grand Chief Conductor, we had thirty-five divisions; we had no insurance; we had no *Monthly*; we were in debt, while to-day—mark the change. Nearly 190 divisions on our roll, a good prosperous *Monthly* paying a good revenue, and one of the best insurances ever inaugurated. It is not necessary for me to defend the faithfulness of the work performed; look at the Order, and if you can trace there the evidence of neglect or inefficiency in any Grand Officer in charge of those who have assisted them, then there may be a chance to make complaints as to the work performed. My only hope is that you will arrange your laws just as you want them, carry them out as closely as your Grand Officers, and we believe there will be but little ground for complaint on either side. I have been asked why we have not organized more new divisions this year; to explain it, I give three causes:

1st. Dull times and scarcity of money among conductors.

2nd. I have not given any time to the matter of new work; it has all been taken with other matter, while last year I was in the office, where I could keep the matter up and continually work some new points.

3rd. The action of the 17th annual session in the case of expense accounts presented by brothers for this work, so much discouraged them that they do not feel like spending their time and paying their own expenses to push this work when the Order is able to pay for it. There was a time when it was necessary, and it is noticeably the case that all that time the same brothers worked with as much zeal as now, and I know that they believe that having stood by and helped when it was needed, that now the Order should pay its way.

At your last annual meeting you devised a way to raise the funds to place Bro. Hy. Shew in an independent position on account of his zeal for the Order. As neither your Grand Secretary nor myself had the time to spare to attend to this matter, after consultation with many brothers of our Order, and upon Bro. Shew's suggestion, I appointed Bros. C. A. Wood, M. C. Savage and O. Sackett, trustees of this fund, with Bros. Geo. E. Pennock and R. L. Willard as advisors, they being the C. C. and Secretary of Bro. Shew's division.

A majority of this board are here; one is now a member of the Grand Division. I would suggest that the other be given a seat, in order that they may make a report to you of their acts and have the matter settled. Inasmuch as this is a Grand Division matter, I believe you have full jurisdiction in the case.

During the year two vacancies have occurred on the Commission on Headquarters by the resignation of Bros. R. E. Fitzgerald and Charles Stuart. They have been filled by the appointment of Bros. W. C. Cross and John F. Ryan, which will make said committee stand, H. Hurty, Chairman; W. C. Cross, John Harnest, J. E. McCarthy, Geo. E. Pennock, E. Hamilton and John F. Ryan. As they have a report to make to us, it will be necessary to

seat them before they can report, as in my opinion no report can be received from them if not members of this Grand Division. The expense of this commission has been presented to me, and after some advice on the subject it has been paid to the amount of about \$77.50, as were also the bills of the Executive Committee on the occasion of their visit to the office to examine the books of the G. C. C. and G. S. and T. In January and May, in accord with your order, said bills amounted to \$120.75. Although you did not so plainly state, you ordered the work done, and we supposed you desired to pay the brothers for loss of time in doing it.

The digest you ordered last year is not completed, but hope to have it out by January 1, 1885, and give a complete history of all official matters of interest to members of our Order. We thought to do this work while on our leave of absence, but sickness intervened, and we have not had time to complete it.

DEFUNCT DIVISIONS.

We have, during the past year, lost two divisions by surrender of charter members—129 and 156, located at Helena and Glendive, Montana. This was caused by change of members, not having enough at either point to sustain a division.

ARREST OF CHARTER.

On Friday, June 12th, I arrested the charter of Philadelphia Division, No. 123, located in Philadelphia, Penn., for contempt and insubordination. On November 20, 1884, I received the following letter from Bro. Evans, secretary of the division, which makes use of very insulting language:

PHILADELPHIA STATION, Nov. 18, 1884.

MR. C. S. WHEATON—*Dear Chief and Brother:*—There is a rumor current here that there was a division of the O. R. C. organized in West Philadelphia, last Sunday, Nov. 16, 1884. I have been called upon by several of our members for its verification. My answer has been, that Bro. Lackey told us in division a few meetings ago that Bro. Wheaton had told him that he had an application for another division in Philadelphia, but before any charter was granted he would send us a list of the applicants and allow us a voice in the matter.

Since I have commenced writing the above, I have ascertained from a pretty reliable source that there was a division organized in Philadelphia last Sunday. If such is the case, why were we so shamefully treated in regard to it? When you organized in Harrisburg and Easton, our division was invited to send a representation. Now you send men right here to our own city and ignore us entirely. Is this courtesy? Is it common decency? And do you suppose that such treatment will strengthen our respect either for the Order or our Grand Officers? And furthermore, either Bro. Lackey is a deliberate falsifier, or else the case has been terribly misrepresented to

him. If this is true, our division has received a backset from which it will be very slow about recovering.

I wish you would write and give me particulars, so that I may have them in time for our meeting next Sunday. I received your circular in regard to Bro. Shew, and have already received about two thirds of the money asked for, but several members have asked me not to remit until we have advice in this other matter. By order of the division.

Yours in P. F.

RILEY O'DONNELL, C. C.

C. EVANS, Secretary, No. 123.

As it bore no seal I consulted with Bro. Hurty and others and decided to return the letter to No. 123, asking if it was a personal or a division letter; if a division letter to place the seal thereon, thereby giving them a chance to withdraw the letter and ask for desired explanation in a proper form. The seal was placed thereon and returned to me. I then wrote the Chief Conductor, under seal, and gave him a statement of the case and an opportunity to set it right. Brother O'Donnell sent the papers to the division who "refused to consider any paper except those that came through the hands of the secretary," which was more of an insult, not only to a Grand Officer, but to their own Chief.

I then asked the Executive Committee to see if they could not set them right, but the result was simply an explanation sustaining the error. On June 12th I was present in their division and gave them another opportunity to withdraw the letter, but they failed to do so by a vote of 13 to 2, and I at once arrested their charter. I am aware that in trying to save the division I committed a grievous error, *i. e.*, that of delay, and have been roundly censured therefor, but I tried my best to bring about an amicable settlement of the difficulty. I herewith present all the papers relating to the case. I am now and always have been ready to make any explanation I could to brothers of the Order, but hardly feel that it is just to be tried, condemned and almost executed before being given any chance to defend myself. I have not taken any personal view of this matter. In order to have a successful organization we must have discipline, and if our divisions are allowed to write such letters to our Grand Officers, we may as well let all do as they please and throw aside law and order entirely. We feel that we have not asked anything unreasonable in this case: the mistake of the division is very plain, and they were told so on two occasions, that if the G. C. C. had misused them, their redress was with the Executive Committee, but they refused to then get right in the matter. I explained fully to Bro. Lackey the whole matter; he understands it fully, and stated to me that he did not blame me a particle, and knew No. 123 would not if they had the same explanation. You will note his name is not on the printed circular. About the last of August, those who were members of Division No. 123 issued a general circular to divisions, giving their version of the affair, which is an insult to the intelligence of the Order. Here we find them

issuing a circular to all, trying to tell their story first in order that they may influence you in their favor, hoping, perhaps, that you will instruct your delegates to have their charter returned before hearing any further on the subject.

I might go much further, but I have no desire to introduce any class discussion into our Order. In closing this case I desire to submit to this Grand Division a question, which, I think, covers the substance of this case; that the letter is an insult I do not believe any will deny. Then we desire to ask: Is there any provocation so great that it will sustain a brother in insulting another under our laws and obligations?

If a conductor should write his superintendent a letter like the one written, would he get a chance to retract it?

My interview with Mr. H. M. Hoxie, vice-president of the Missouri Pacific, was very satisfactory. After an extended trip over the system visiting the brothers, I laid before him the result, and he at once issued orders that were in full accord with our request. Later, a meeting was held at Fort Worth and articles prepared to be presented to Mr. Hoxie, but as soon as they were put forth we received two protests against them, and we have not yet been advised of the agreement. The articles were long and there were some demands in them that I could not conscientiously lay before any railway officer. If Articles No. 1 and No. 2 were dropped, they would be consistent and ought to be pressed forward to a termination.

The brothers of the G. H. & S. H. system asked our advice as to the mode of procedure to get back a reduction of 10 per cent. in wages. I am informed, not officially however, that they did proceed and were successful.

The interviews of the brothers with Mr. Potter, of the C., B. and Q., were very satisfactory to all interested. Those with Col. S. T. Smith, of the U. P. R'y, were also successful.

The secret of non-success is not with the Order, but with the inactivity of the members. It is a notable fact that some seem to think, by their acts, that all they have to do is to join the Order and go to sleep, as it were, and they will be taken care of. It is also the case where the brothers have tried, they have in every case bettered their condition.

The practice of brothers as soon as they are out of a situation starting out and traveling over the country in search of work, has been brought to my notice many times during the year. It has caused much unfavorable comment and has brought the Order into bad repute in some places. This practice, we think, should be stopped; it is evidently the plan of the Order that the secretary of his division should write to secretaries of other divisions, and when work is found, let him go and take it, thus saving his money and time and letting the Order perform its share of the work. But some seem to prefer to travel about, and some very aggravated cases have come to light this year of loss of money, service and divisions defrauded in this way. We think the Grand Division should take the matter up and lay down some plan to be followed by all divisions.

It was brought to our notice that the clause in division by-laws which

regulates the charge for withdrawal cards was being used to the detriment of the Order. We issued an order annulling it until this Grand Division could take action on it. We are convinced that we were in error, and hereby withdraw said circular and ask the Grand Division to enact some law that will fully cover the ground. We believe that members should give membership where they are located, and any bar against it is detrimental to the Order.

My attention was called to the fact that many of our divisions were not taking the *Monthly*, and consequently not keeping the official circulars on file in their division room. We directed the Grand Secretary to at once place them on our list, and issued a circular directing that they be kept on file in each division room. This we view to be the plain duty of all divisions in the Order, and we simply desired to see it carried out.

OFFICE ASSISTANCE.

At your last annual meeting you appropriated \$800 for clerk hire in the office, and as we were to move to Cedar Rapids at the close of the calendar year, we employed no one in the office permanently until January 1st. We paid Bro. Shew and others prior to that time \$120.00. After consulting Bro. Daniels in the matter I decided to employ Miss Bertha E. Clauson, who is a competent stenographer, as our clerk; she entered our service on January 1st for one year at the salary of \$70.00 per month. On April 1st we raised it to \$75.00 per month, feeling that in doing so we were doing simple justice to her on account of the work performed, as those who have visited the office will testify. We have paid her \$660 to October 1st. On June 1st, after the consultation with your Executive Committee, we decided to employ another clerk at \$40.00 per month, who served from June 1st to October 1st. We paid him in all \$160. He was engaged principally on the insurance work of the Order until the last month, when he was engaged in getting up the register of members of the Order, and we close this year with the work fully up to October 1st for the first time since I have held this office. I do not know whether you have intended to place the account drawn by Bro. Shew against \$800 voted. If you do, we have exceeded the appropriation by \$160; if not, we have come within \$40.00 of your appropriation. We can simply add that the complete record of the members of the Order is worth more than double the cost of compiling. The service, particularly of Miss Clauson, has been more than satisfactory, and we believe it was economy to employ her at the start and continue as long as she performs her service as acceptably and well as now.

DISPENSATIONS AND DECISIONS.

We have granted a large number of dispensations this year for holding special elections, to fill vacancies, changing time and place of meeting, etc.

The more important are to change location of Division No. 91 from The Dalles to Portland, Oregon.

To change the name of Daniels Division, No. 19, to Elkhart Division, No. 19.

To change location of Stanton Division, No. 139, to Rome, Ga.

To move Baraboo Division, No. 68, to Harvard, Ill.

To change location of Division No. 75 from Crookston to Barnesville, Minn.

To Division No. 85 to hold meetings at Winslow, Arizona, for six months. They could get quorum at Winslow and not at Peach Springs.

To Division 115, as follows: You are hereby authorized to accept as members all members of the Order who present petitions with withdrawal cards on or before August 15th, 1885, without ballot of the division, providing that in each and every case a notice is given either personally or mailed to the last known address of every member of the division. If no objection is made to the membership within twenty days of the mailing or serving of the notice, they will be accepted. If objections are made by two or more members to the initiation and promotion of any candidate or the reception of any member, they shall stand rejected same as if balloted for on a regular petition for initiation.

To change location of Division No. 95 from Hasting, Neb., to McCook, Neb.

We have made a large number of decisions on construction of the law, and among them one in regard to the eligibility clause, that yard conductors are not eligible under our law to membership in our Order. On May 4th I received the appeal of Bro. E. A. Pinney from the action of Division No. 100, whereby he was expelled, enclosing papers furnished him. We found that he was not legally notified, that the charges were not in accord with the forms laid down for the government of such cases. We made the following decision in the case: "I, by virtue of the power vested in me, do hereby set aside the verdict of the division on account of such irregularities. This decision will restore Bro. E. A. Pinney to full membership in the Order and your division. It does not debar you from proceeding in the case at any time the division may determine. Should proceedings be again taken, see that they are in accord with the laws governing such cases. When so tried, the verdict will be final, except upon reversal by the Grand Division, should appeal be made."

RITUALS.

The supply of Rituals were exhausted during the year and it became necessary to order a reprint. We decided to print the forms as accepted by the Grand Division in full in the Ritual, which was done; the only addition, we believe, were two, and we leave with you to judge whether the reprint has been an improvement or not. We only sent one copy to each old division. We ask you to say how many shall be furnished. The balance of the Ritual is fully covered by previous acts of your Grand Division.

MONTHLY.

On returning home from your last annual meeting, we did so very much embarrassed by the act of that body. While they did not say that we must move, yet almost every act implied your desire, and after a careful survey of the whole matter, we decided to change our location and that of the printing of the *Monthly* to Cedar Rapids, so that the Grand Officers could both be located together. I was influenced in this by your acts at Boston and the greatest good to the Order, knowing full well that you would get more and better service for the money paid and the Order would be the gainer by at least \$1,000 by the move. While it was attended by great personal sacrifice on my part, both financially and socially, I have given my word to the Order that I would do my best, and I have tried to do it. I may have erred in judgment, and perhaps many think I have, from the remarks I have heard during the year, but my conscience is clear and I ask to pass on this matter at this annual session and say what your opinion is of the act of removal. It is a question that the last annual meeting failed to decide, and I am aware of the responsibility of the step and I would like you to give your view in the case.

That the *Monthly* is a success I am sure; if it had half the support it has merited, we would have doubled the income this year. Editorially it has been unfortunate, as it has been in the hands of both Bro. Daniels and myself alternately, each getting out a part, and it is almost impossible to get out as good a book as if it were in the hands of one person. However, we are not ashamed of the work of this year, and believe this Grand Session should offer some inducements to members to canvas and we can double our list in a short time.

EXPENSES.

You have paid me during this year on duly approved vouchers the sum of \$870.21. In the eight months I have been traveling in the interest of the Order, I have spent fully one-half the time out of the office; I spent one full month out of the office and my expenses were \$105.70. I give you these facts to show you what it costs to travel. Nearly one-third of this expense account was paid the Pullman and Wagner Sleeping Car Companies.

CHARTERS ISSUED.

We have issued Charters for the organization of Divisions No. 154 to 179 inclusive, and they are, we believe, all organized. In addition, we issued two to replace those of Divisions No. 129 and 156, surrendered. We were constrained to refuse Charter for the organization of a division at Aspinwall, on the Isthmus of Panama, on account of the uncertain stay of conductors there; the chances were very strong that it could never be kept alive.

OBITUARY.

The year has not passed by without its reminders that we are mortal and that all living are born to die. Bro. Winfield S. Dunn, a permanent member of our Grand Division, and a worthy member of Scranton Division, No. 12, is the only member of our Grand Division who has fallen during this year. Those who attended our Grand Sessions from 1878 to 1884 will remember his robust form, the very picture of health and strength, but he was taken and we left, and why, no one can answer but He who rules over all and in all. It should teach us all a most solemn lesson, and the words, "Be ye also ready," should continue to ring in our ears. In the transaction of our business here, at home and everywhere, let us so act that when called to part there will be no heart-burnings, no regrets. Let us be in fact *brothers*, so that in our going forth in answer to the final mandate, we will leave this world of sorrow without regrets on account of our unbrotherly acts to one another.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In view of the fact that there seems to be a difference of opinion on the right and wrong in the matter of the use of the black record, I respectfully recommend that in future the publishing of a list of suspended and expelled members and causes, also those who are expelled for heinous offences, be discontinued in our *Monthly* and they be sent to each division in circular form.

The *Monthly* and its editorial work has, during this year, as last, taken valuable time that might have been otherwise spent with profit, and as the Grand Secretary is obliged to spend his time in the office, and he has during the past year demonstrated his ability to take full charge of this work, having edited five of the eleven copies already out, I would recommend that he be made editor of the *Monthly*, retaining the G. C. C. and A.G.C.C. as associates, if you desire. He, the G. S. and T., being allowed to use discretionary power to employ help in the office to accomplish the office work. This, we believe, will place the work on a good basis and give the G. C. C. an opportunity to perform the work originally intended. I would suggest that you clearly define what you desire in regard to the work. While some of the members have stated to me that they think we ought to proceed in the form used by the B. of L. E., others are as strenuously opposed to it. So here are two parties holding directly opposite views; one desires to have me left free to visit and instruct, while the others desire me left free to settle disputes, secure re-instatements, etc. etc. Please say what will be the plan, and I stand ready to use my best endeavor to carry it out, whichever it may be.

We ask you to give the brothers the protection they are entitled to under our laws and principles. I have made but few recommendations to you for your action, for the reason that we desire to be relieved of the charge of endeavoring to influence you in your acts. I do ask you to arrange the duties

of your Grand Officers, that they can give you the best service possible, and I stand pledged to perform all the work I am able to advance your interests, both individually and collectively. That I have committed errors I am sure, but they were of the head not of the heart, and I ask the kind consideration of a brother for them.

CONCLUSION.

Five years of continuous service as your Grand Chief has brought me here to-day to offer no apology except for errors which are common to humanity, and to which we are all prone. We close another successful year in our pilgrimage. I will not take up your time farther to detail the facts; you will receive them in the report of your Grand Secretary. I believe it has been the most successful we have seen, yet I believe we could have done more, had the wisdom of the last session devised the way to have it done. The responsibility must rest on you as to the success for the year that is to come. We would counsel moderation, conservative, consistent legislation, brotherly treatment one to the other, and a firm stand for the principles which we have sworn to protect.

In closing this voluminous report I can but say that I close my fifth year on an eminence which in former years I had never dreamed it would reach, and without an unkind thought toward any brother of our whole Order, I desire to return to you, one and all, my heartfelt thanks for the uniform kind treatment you have on all occasions of our many meetings accorded me, and whether it be in the office with pen, or on the rostrum with voice, I shall continue to be

Your obedient servant in P. F.,

C. S. WHEATON, G. C. C.

The report of the G. C. C. was referred to the Committee on Grand Officers' Reports.

Minutes read and approved. Grand Division took a recess at 12:40 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

OCTOBER 20, 1885.

Grand Division was called to order at 2:30 P. M. with the following present, [see roll, pp. 733-736].

On motion of Bro. Cutter, the delegate from Division No. 50, was admitted on becoming responsible for the amount due from his division.

On motion of Bro. Johnstone, the delegate from Division No. 72, was admitted on pledging himself to see that report was sent from his division within thirty days.

Moved by Bro. Cronk, that the reading of the report of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer be dispensed with. Motion lost.

REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY AND TREASURER.

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers:

Although the year just closed has been the dulllest known for several years, the Order has maintained a steady and rapid growth. Many serious questions have arisen during the year, affecting not only the welfare and prosperity of the Order generally, but of its members individually, and in view of the fact that unwise counsel may persuade you to action that *may* undo the work of the past, and undermine the very foundation of the noble and stately structure that has been reared by seventeen years of the earnest toil of an united band, many of whom have passed to their reward, I cannot refrain from a word of warning. Let us consider well our every act; let no plausible sophistry induce us to countenance in the slightest degree any change in the principles of our Order; let us rather listen to the counsel of the fathers of the Order, those white-haired patriarchs of the service, who though "once they were young, yet now they are old," have never yet seen any benefit derived from the surrender of personal independence, and the interference with the rights of others that is known as a "STRIKE."

Asking your forbearance for this departure from the strict letter of making a report of my "official acts," for which I have no apology, except that I conceive it to be my duty and the spirit of the law to require that I should, in this annual resume of the transactions of my office, call your attention to any matters coming to my notice that I deem of interest to the Order, and to make such suggestions and recommendations as in my judgment are for our welfare.

DELINQUENT REPORTS.

Twelve divisions were delinquent with their reports for the year ending September 30, 1884. Of these, four were received on the first day of the last session of the Grand Division, the division officers sending them by the delegates, as they thought it would do just as well as to comply with the law, and it saved them the trouble of mailing them. All the balance were received during the first of the year except that of Mt. Helena, No. 129, which surrendered its charter.

The reports of the following divisions for the year just closed were received after October 10th:

- Greer, No. 72, Fargo, Dak., Oct. 22.
- Red River Valley, No. 75, Barnesville, Minn., Oct. 23.
- Delta, No. 86, Escanaba, Mich., Oct. 23.
- Tulare, No. 116, Tulare, Cal., Nov. 6.

In this connection I wish to say, that it seems to me absolutely necessary that the time between the close of our fiscal year and the session of the Grand Division be increased.

INSURANCE.

Is there a member of the Order of Railway Conductors, whether he be a member of the Insurance Association or not, who is not proud of the position we have attained during the year just passed?

I have thought it might not be uninteresting to give a short sketch of this department of the Order.

Brought into life on the 16th day of December, 1868, at Columbus, Ohio; its laws were amended June 17, 1869, at Chicago, Ill., where the second session of the Grand Division was held.

The first benefit paid, of which we have any record, was \$48.00 for the death of John W. Thompson, the holder of Certificate No. 91, who died December 4, 1871.

The Association for the first thirteen years of its life endured a very sickly existence, and at several periods came very near final extinction. Its membership during the time ranging from 48, the lowest, to 157, the highest. During the time, nineteen benefits were paid, and estimating three, of which there is no record of the amount, at \$60.00 each, the nineteen aggregate \$1,672.00, or an average of \$88.00 each.

Various amendments were adopted at different times without perceptible effect until at Buffalo, N. Y., in October, 1881, an entirely new code of laws was adopted, new life and enthusiasm seemed to pervade its members, and the growth has steadily increased each year until this last, when it has more than doubled its membership, and now stands pre-eminently the largest, and we believe the best of its class.

We have paid during the past year benefits, as follows:

Mrs. Fannie Whelden.....	\$1,239 00
Mrs. S. W. Kimball.....	1,142 00
Mrs. Ada B. Patton.....	1,377 00
Mrs. Fannie Smith.....	1,411 00
Wm. L. Collins.....	1,726 00
Mrs. E. F. Seymour.....	1,562 00
Miss Edith M. Osborn.....	1,416 00
Mrs. I. F. Davidson.....	1,638 00
Mrs. Lillian Brogley.....	2,000 00
F. R. Stewart.....	2,000 00
Mrs. Nellie Clancy.....	2,000 00
Mrs. Maggie Ellis.....	2,000 00
Mrs. Laura T. Sholes.....	2,000 00
Geo. W. Traver.....	2,000 00
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Total during the year.....	\$23,511 00
Total amount paid to Sept. 30, 1884.....	6,644 00
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A total, since organization of... \$30,155 00

Number of members, Sept. 30, 1884.....	1,185
Number of certificates issued during the year.....	1,723

Total.....	2,908
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Number of deaths during the year.....	17
Number of disability claims during the year.....	5
Number of certificates forfeited during the year.....	134

Total.....	156
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Number of members, Sept. 30, 1885.....	2,752
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Of these, it is probable that 70 will forfeit their certificates October 10th, by non-payment of Assessments Nos. 40 and 41.

There are two approved claims that are unpaid, three in the hands of the committee, and I have received notice of three deaths for which proofs are not yet made.

THE RAILWAY CONDUCTORS MONTHLY.

While the *Monthly* has continued to hold its own during the year just closed, it has not met with the recognition it should receive at the hands of members of the Order; it is your magazine, and you are in duty bound to support it, and if it does not reflect fairly the sentiments of the Order and of its membership, make such changes as will effect the desired result or discontinue its publication. Again, I believe that the management of the *Monthly* should be exactly the same as it would be if a private enterprise. It takes time and labor to procure subscriptions to any periodical, and I can see no reason why we should expect a few to sacrifice their time for the benefit of the many. Offer some inducement to members and others to canvass for subscribers, and I believe you will see an immediate benefit from it.

The estimated profit on the *Monthly* for the first year, was \$2,615.14, but on balancing the account we find it to have been a little over-estimated, the actual figures being \$2,462.64.

This amount is the balance of the account for the first year, and had all subscriptions expired with the year would have shown the actual profit, but as many of them continued into the year 1885, a considerable part of the apparent profit should be credited to the next year, but as it would consume considerable valuable time that could ill be spared from more important work to compute the exact percentage that should be deducted from this sum and carried forward to the next year, it was decided to allow the account to remain with this full sum to the credit of the first year, as by so doing it would give a fair starting point for succeeding years, and I believe the average thus obtained will closely approximate the exact figures. I am of the opinion that the *actual* profit for the first year is not far from \$1,500.00,

leaving an apparent profit of nearly \$1,000.00, part of which legitimately belongs to the second year. It should be borne in mind, also, that by order of the last session of your Grand body the *Monthly* for 1885 was enlarged eight pages, increasing its cost about \$400.00 for the year. It is now without exception the cheapest periodical published, when its size and the character of material used is considered.

There is also, as shown by inventory of property on hand, \$236.00 to be credited to the *Monthly* for type and mailing list owned by the Order. Thus it will be seen, while the profit shown by the following statement is less than for the first year, that, had the *Monthly* been continued the same in size, the profit shown would have been over \$2,300.00, without taking into consideration either the type on hand or the sum for which the first year receives credit, and including the type and \$500.00 of the profit credited to the first year, we have over \$3,000.00.

Number of subscriptions during the year, 4,206, amounting to.....	\$5,332 50
Less amount deducted for cost of sending by subscribers.....	17 63
Leaving cash received for subscriptions.....	\$5,814 87
Advertising.....	447 25
Extra copies.....	15 75
Total.....	\$5,777 87
Total cost, January to September inclusive.....	\$2,848 15
Estimated cost, October to December inclusive.....	937 10
Total estimated cost for the year.....	\$3,785 25
Leaving net profit.....	\$1,992 62
Add extra cost of enlarging.....	400 00
Cost of type for mailing list.....	196 00
Worth of list in type.....	40 00
Total.....	\$2,628 62

GENERAL SUMMARY.

Number of divisions, September 30, 1884.....	153
Number organized during the year.....	34
Total.....	187
Number of charters arrested.....	1
Number of charters surrendered.....	2
Total.....	3

Number of divisions, September 30, 1885.....	184
Number of reports received.....	180
Number of divisions delinquent with reports.....	4
Number of members, September 30, 1884.....	6,109
Number of members reinstated.....	44
Number of members promoted by divisions reported.....	2,018
Total.....	8,171
Number of members deceased in 190 divisions.....	64
Number of members suspended in 180 divisions.....	169
Number of members expelled in 180 divisions.....	54
Total.....	287
Number of members in 180 divisions.....	7,884
Number of members in 4 divisions not reported, estimated.....	60
Total number of members in good standing, September 30, 1885....	7,944

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I believe it will be for the general benefit of all concerned, if the regular sessions of your Grand body be changed from October to May. There are many and obvious reasons for this change which it is unnecessary to recite here.

It is fast becoming an absolute necessity that more time intervenes between the close of our fiscal year and your sessions, and I wish to urge upon your attention the convenience and utility of closing our fiscal year with the calendar year, and request you to give the matter your careful attention, and enact such legislation on this subject as in your wisdom you may deem best. I think division secretaries and your Grand Officers should have not less than three months in which to prepare their reports.

Our Insurance Association needs additional legislation to place it on a permanent basis, and remove it from that class of purely mutual associations which are liable to become crippled by a sudden increase of the death rate to which we are subject at any time. Let us take warning by the numerous wrecks of the past, and now in the day of our prosperity prepare for the rough winds of adversity which will certainly overtake and ruin us if unprepared, but at which we can laugh if we build wisely now. Surely there is some happy medium between the extravagance of old line life insurance and the short-lived economy of the purely mutual, which shall furnish us a reliable benefit at a minimum cost. Let it be our aim to find that middle ground and plant ourselves solidly there.

Permit me again to remind you that the Order should not *now* expect or wish a few of its members to give their time and labor without recompense,

and to request you to provide some plan to partially remunerate canvassers for your *Monthly*, or to allow its management to do so.

"To be or not to be" an association recognized by the laws of our land, with a commercial standing, with power to compel obedience from your officers, those officers with power to compel obedience to your mandates. I earnestly hope "to be" incorporated.

FINANCIAL.

I have, in making this report, departed from the custom heretofore observed of presenting an itemized account of receipts and expenditures for the year. This itemized statement for last year occupied nearly thirteen closely printed pages in the proceedings, and would occupy much more space this year; and inasmuch as the several books, vouchers, bills, etc., which accompany this report, make a full and complete exhibit in detail, it has seemed to others as well as myself, an useless expenditure of time to prepare, and money to print, such a statement. I have therefore decided to omit it for the present, leaving the final decision with your honorable body, and I respectfully ask for your instructions as to whether or not it shall be prepared and published with the proceedings.

Of the amounts disbursed there has been paid:

For copyright of <i>Monthly</i> , postage, etc.	\$	602 55	
For 60,500 copies.		3,055 45	
Total.	\$	3,658 00	\$ 3,658 00
Office rent and gas.	\$	235 09	
Organization of divisions.		398 88	
Salary G. C. C. and G. S. and T.		4,500 00	
Personal expenses G. C. C.		870 21	
Clerk hire.		992 00	
Mailing machine for insurance.		136 80	
Safe.		387 00	
Letter file.		100 00	
Expenses of location commission.		77 75	
Charter fee returned to Aspinwall.		100 00	
Rituals.		800 00	
31,500 envelopes, 2-cent stamp.		477 40	
2,000 envelopes, 1-cent stamp.		23 70	
16,500 postal cards.		165 00	
2,775 2-cent stamps.		55 50	
900 1-cent stamp.		9 00	
For postage due on letters received.		5 00	
74 cars.		868 34	
42 canvasses.		189 00	
Executive Committee.		120 75	

Order of Grand Division, seventeenth session.....	\$524 52	
Seals.....	135 25	
Telegrams.....	186 62	
Drayage.....	26 65	
Total.....	\$11,378 96	\$11,378 96
Miscellaneous, including books, printing, office furniture, etc.....	3,197 57	3,197 57
Total.....	\$18,234 53	\$18,234 53

For all of the above, vouchers are herewith submitted, except as follows:

1884.

Oct. 1, 1 Insurance Certificate charged to Division 147.....	\$2 50
" 6, 2 " " " " 13.....	5 00
" 6, 1 " " " " 51.....	2 50
Dec. 31, Error in entering Voucher 234, April 28, 1884.....	1 00

Owing to the fact that the Finance Committee did not audit my accounts or check the vouchers at the last session of the Grand Division, this error was not discovered until the books were audited by an expert in December, under the supervision of the Executive Committee. There is also a debit entry of \$31.00 for an error in footing on page 246 of Journal, making a balance "by error" in favor of the Grand Division, for the previous fiscal year, of \$30.

For the last year, I, in company with an expert bookkeeper, have given the books a thorough and careful revision, and it is hoped that all errors have been discovered and that the balance shown is absolutely correct. I sincerely hope, however, that this report will not be accepted as final, but that the Finance Committee will audit and check my accounts thoroughly, without reference to any previous examination, as it is clearly their duty to do, under the law.

It will also be noticed that Vouchers No. 528, 557, 558 and 559 are missing. This is simply because in the regular routine of business they have not been returned to the bank on which the orders were drawn, but as the payments are clearly shown by the duplicate stubs which accompany this report, it is deemed unnecessary to more than mention the fact.

There is property on hand as follows:

43 ledgers.....	\$129 00
40 records.....	80 00
37 journals.....	74 00
90 card registers.....	180 00
5,000 2-cent envelopes.....	111 00

500 postals.....	\$ 5 00
4,800 Rituals.....	1,200 00
85 order books.....	85 00
95 receipt books.....	95 00
300 blank charters.....	90 00
1,800 membership certificates.....	450 00
Blanks.....	300 00
500 Constitutions.....	500 00
30 canvasses.....	150 00
40 cars.....	660 00
Safe.....	387 00
2 letter files and stand.....	185 00
3 desks, \$20 each.....	60 00
1 desk.....	90 00
2 tables, \$5 each.....	10 00
3 chairs, \$6 each.....	18 00
7 chairs, \$2 each.....	14 00
Water filter and stand.....	12 50
4 racks.....	10 00
Engraved title page of <i>Monthly</i>	100 00
Steel plate for drafts.....	50 00
Steel plate for membership certificates.....	250 00
Mailing machine and list for insurance.....	200 00
Type and list for <i>Monthly</i>	236 00
Counter.....	75 00
Clock, presented by Cone, Wolf & Co.....	15 00
Carpets, etc.....	30 00
Type writers.....	200 00
Bank punch.....	36 00
Two letter presses.....	12 50
Total.....	\$5,540 00

BALANCE SHEET.

To cash on hand Oct. 1, 1884.....	\$ 4,196 63
Total amount received during the year from all sources.....	19,636 52
Total.....	\$23,833 20
By paid out all sources.....	\$18,234 53
By cash on hand Sept. 30, 1884.....	5,598 67
Total.....	\$23,833 20

ASSETS.

Cash on hand.....	\$5,598 67
Property as per inventory.....	5,540 00
Due on accounts.....	4,752 63
Total.....	<u>\$15,891 30</u>
Deduct overpaid by divisions.....	244 05
Balance.....	<u>\$15,647 25</u>

Yours truly in P. F.,

W. P. DANIELS, G. S. and T.

Report of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer was referred to the Committee on Grand Officers' Reports.

ANNUAL REPORT OF INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

Your Insurance Committee can come to you with this, their annual report, congratulating you upon the success attained by this branch of our Order.

October 1, 1883, our record shows 504 members; October 1, 1884, shows 1,180 members, while October 1, 1885, shows over 2,800, making it one of the largest Conductors' Insurance Associations in existence. While in this annual session let us consider well the plans which will be advanced towards making it a permanent insurance, and we again urge all who are members of our Order to unite with the insurance association.

The manner in which the members are treated by those who receive benefits from the Order is to be regretted. With but two exceptions this year the Grand Secretary has received simply an acknowledgment of receipt for the money paid, with no further mention. We have been asked the cause of this, but were not able to say why such was the case. We are loth to believe these parties are not thankful, but it is so viewed by members of the Order.

The delinquencies in our insurance are to be deplored, but we believe a large number are on account of change in address and failure to notify the Grand Secretary of the same. All members should be careful to keep him advised of their whereabouts.

We have received and approved the following claims this year:

Benefit No. 30, Richard Wheldon, Division 61, paid Oct. 1, 1884.....	\$1,239
" " 31, Scott W. Kimball, Division 146, paid Dec. 5, 1884.....	1,142
" " 32, Alex. W. Patton, Division 38, paid Jan. 14, 1885.....	1,377
" " 33, Will J. Smith, Division 20, paid Feb. 1, 1885.....	1,411
" " 34, E. F. Seymour, Division 55, paid March 20, 1885.....	1,562
" " 35, W. L. Collins, Division 9, paid March 20, 1885.....	1,726

Benefit No. 36, I. W. Osborne, Division 9, paid March 21, 1885.....	\$1,416
" " 37, I. F. Davidson, Division 56, paid March 21, 1885.....	1,638
" " 38, A. L. Brogley, Division 78, paid May 2, 1885.....	2,000
" " 39, Frank R. Stewart, Division 79, paid May 9, 1885.....	2,000
" " 40, J. G. Clancy, Division 96, paid May 20, 1885.....	2,000
" " 41, W. E. Ellis, Division 40, paid June 5, 1885.....	2,000
" " 42, A. T. Sholes, Division 55, paid June 27, 1885.....	2,000
" " 43, Geo. W. Traver, Division 43, paid August, 1, 1885.....	2,000
Total.....	\$23,511

The claims of W. L. Collins, F. R. Stewart and G. W. Traver were paid on account of disability, as provided in the Constitution governing our insurance. The claims were carefully investigated, and in the judgment of the committee the members were entitled to the payment of insurance, and it was so ordered.

We have approved the claims of Arthur Wiley, of Division 71, August 18, 1885, and James K. Stone, of Division 90, September 1, 1885.

A question as to the payment of benefit to the beneficiary named in the certificate of L. H. Johnson having arisen, it has been deemed advisable to submit the matter to this Grand Division for its action.

We would respectfully recommend that the age of the applicants for membership in the Order of Railway Conductors' Insurance Association be limited to sixty years.

The previous official circulars issued by us during the year are on file with the divisions, and we do not deem it necessary to reprint them. We sincerely hope that before the present fiscal year closes every eligible brother shall have enrolled his name in this branch of the Order.

Thanking you for your kindness during the past year, we are

Yours very truly in P. F.,

W. H. INGRAM,
C. A. MILLARD,
C. S. WHEATON.

Report of the Insurance Committee was referred to the Committee on Grand Officers' Reports.

Moved by Bro. Fitzgerald that the members of the Committee on Permanent Location, who are not members of the Grand Division, be given seats during the session. Motion adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PERMANENT LOCATION.

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the Eighteenth Session of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors:

We, the members of the Commission appointed by the Grand Chief Conductor at Boston, for the purpose of selecting a suitable place for permanently locating the Grand Officers, do present this our report.

At a meeting of the Commission held October 19th, 1885, at the Galt House parlors, it was unanimously voted by us that the city of Chicago, Ill., was the most suitable place for such location, and we hereby recommend that city to your favorable notice for the following reasons:

1st. It is the easiest of access of any city in the Union, and the largest railroad center in the world.

2d. It is the terminal point of all the leading railway lines, either directly or indirectly, through their connections.

3d. Fast mail runs to the four points of the compass.

4th. Western railroads are the most liberal in honoring credentials.

5th. It is the direct terminus of twenty-two railroads, representing 30,000 miles of track.

6th. It is the best place for our Grand Officers to get out of when called upon to visit divisions, thereby saving much valuable time to them.

7th. At the union meeting held in Chicago on May 30, 1885, there were represented sixty-five divisions of the Order, which was the largest representation of divisions ever shown at a union meeting.

8th. The expense of living for our Grand Officers would be as cheap as any city in the Union.

9th. As good rates could be made with the hotels, should the Grand Division ever be held there, as can be made anywhere.

10th. It is as near the center of the United States as any city that could be selected with all of the above advantages.

H. HURTY, Chairman,
GEO. E. PENNOCK,
JOHN F. RYAN,
J. E. MCCARTHY,
J. E. HARNEST,
E. HAMILTON,
W. C. CROSS,

Committee.

Moved by Bro. Cross to receive report and concur in the recommendation. Moved by Bro. Johnstone to strike out Chicago and insert St. Louis. By Bro. Ogilvie, to strike out St. Louis and insert Buffalo. Point of Order by Bro. Daniels that report could not now be considered, but must go to the Committee on Grand Officers' Reports. Point of order not sustained.

Moved by Sears, as a substitute for the motion to concur, that an informal ballot be taken for the place in which the offices of the Order shall be permanently located. Adopted.

Moved by Bro. Daniels, that Rule 18, of Special Rules and Orders, be suspended during action on this question. On ballot, the motion was lost by the following ballot:

FIRST BALLOT.

Ayes— Conner, Richmond, McMurray, Parker, A. S., Brown, Unkefer, Jones, Bunnell, Seabee, Hyde, Phelps, Flint, Gordon, Sears, Everts, Phipps,

Heether, Cole, Garrettson, Swayze, Sullivan, Gaylord, Powell, Cornelius, Tripp, Peters, Gillett, Sitts, McCarthy, J. F., Parker, C. C., Roberts, L. W., Laughlin, Simpkins, McClintock, Hamilton, Lefler, Weiz, Mather, Deforce, McDougal, Benson, Sheehan, Cutter, Kitto, Bell, Mitchell, Hammond, C. F., White, Eggleston, McDonald, Ancker, Coman, Shumate, Robinson, Hurty, Millard, Ingram, Wheaton, Belknap, Daniels, Durbin, Flack, Mohler, Collins, Kimball, Rosencranz, Aechternacht, Stone, Chapman, H. S., Carver, Hunt, Sackett, Forker — 73.

Nays — Dewey, Martin, Burr, Hoadley, Duffey, Lewis, Wm., Hall, Johnston, A. A., Potter, A. I., Stadler, Ogilvie, Smith, L. T., Chapman, A., Smith, G. B., Cross, W. C., Collins, S. T., Cronk, Park, German, Winter, Willard, Wilkins, Ginn, Wilder, Vincent, Vannaman, Crawford, Howard, Brigham, Carpenter, Dillon, Bailey, Gardner, Hancock, Butt, Roberts, J. R., Johnstone, Sloan, Bycraft, Stearns, Carnahan, Johnson, Permar, Burns, Mills, Flynn, Lewis, C. H., Roberts, R., Powles, Dodson, Priest, Lovejoy, Ellis, Dennison, Reese, Boyden, Curran, Glenn, Snipes, Harris, R. E., Yantis, Potter, P. H., McBain, Alexander, McDougal, Wallace, Strong, Little, Pechin, Babcock, Fairbrass, Graves, Hammond, G. R., Howe, Adams, Nelson, Ives, Crawford, Cowardin, Waldron, Bowden, Hardy, McDonald, Kelley, Albright, Campbell, Allen, Parks, G., Harris, W. N., King, Flagg, Johnston, J. T., Blakslee, Collins, M. F., Worden, Kirkbride, Moran, Winder, Fessenden, Maxwell, Burns, J. C., Burley, Moor, Chittenden, Ross, Mitchell, Baker, Fowler, Cook, Richardson, Robt., Collins, Taylor, Pugh, Fitzgerald, Shew, Harnest, McCarthy, J. E., Stanchfield — 118.

An informal ballot being taken, resulted as follows :

Chicago, 82; Buffalo, 36; St. Louis, 21; Cedar Rapids, 20; Columbus, 17; Indianapolis, 11; Creston, 4; Des Moines, 1; Elmira, 1; Scranton, 1; Louisville, 1.

Moved by Bailey, to take a recess until 9:30 A. M. Motion lost.

A communication from the Southern Exposition was read, as follows :

LOUISVILLE, KY., October 18th, 1885.

To C. S. Wheaton, Esq., Grand Chief Conductor, Order Railway Conductors:

MY DEAR SIR — I have the honor and pleasure to inform you, that I have been appointed a committee on behalf of the President and Board of Directors, to invite through you the Convention of Railway Conductors to attend the Southern Exposition.

Be kind enough to inform me what day and hour it will suit you to attend, in order that arrangements may be made at the gate, etc. It has been suggested that you attend in a body under one of your officers, or wear the badge you wear on the occasion of your visit here. Awaiting your reply.

I am very respectfully,

GEO. W. GIFFITH.

Moved by Bro. Chapman to accept invitation, and name Thursday evening as the date. Motion adopted.

Announcement was made that the Louisville Transfer Company would furnish carriages at reduced rates to members of the Order.

Moved by Bro. White, that the thanks of the Grand Division be returned to the same. Motion adopted.

Minutes read and approved. Grand Division took recess at 7 P. M.

MORNING.

OCTOBER 21, 1885.

Grand Division was called to order at 9:30 A. M., with the following present, [see roll, pages 733-736].

On motion of Bro. Vannaman, the delegate from Division No. 43 was admitted on becoming responsible for the amount due from his division.

Bro. German asking to be relieved, Bro. G. M. Loughridge was appointed G. O. S. pro tem.

Moved by Bro. W. L. Park, that we now proceed to formal ballot for the place in which the offices of the Order shall be permanently located.

Motion adopted.

First ballot resulted as follows:

Chicago, 79; Buffalo, 59; Cedar Rapids, 35; St. Louis, 14; Columbus, 4; Indianapolis, 11. Total 200.

There being no choice, a second ballot was taken which resulted, as follows:

Chicago, 90; Buffalo, 59; Cedar Rapids, 40; St. Louis, 10; Indianapolis, 4. Total, 203.

Again no choice, and a third ballot was taken, resulting as follows:

Chicago, 101; Buffalo, 57; Cedar Rapids, 42; Indianapolis, 2; St. Louis, 1. Total, 203.

No choice. Fourth ballot:

Chicago, 117; Buffalo, 45; Cedar Rapids, 37; Indianapolis, 2; Elmira, 1. Total, 202.

Chicago having received a majority of all the votes cast, was chosen as the city in which the offices of the Order are to be permanently located.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON GRAND OFFICERS' REPORTS.

Moved by Bro. Johnstone, that report of committee be received, read, and acted upon by sections. Motion adopted.

Report read, as follows:

To the Officers and Members of the Eighteenth Session of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors:

We, your Committee on Grand Officers' Reports, beg leave to submit the following:

1st. Your committee concur in the recommendation that we discontinue the publication of a list of the suspended and expelled members in the *Monthly*, and that the Grand Secretary and Treasurer notify all divisions by circular, on the first of the month, or as near thereto as practicable. And in view of the fact that the black-list has been used unjustly and to the detriment of members of the Order, we recommend that this Grand Body enact a law empowering the G. C. C. to call upon the several superintendents, investigate the cases, and use his best endeavor to have the so-called black-list removed.

Moved by Bro. Boyden, to concur. Motion adopted.

2d. Your committee are of the opinion that the Order has lost caste, through the fact that we have been too lenient with members who have lost their positions as conductors through intemperance, and we recommend that the C. C. of each division, take prompt and vigorous action in all cases relative to the use of liquor by our members. And we recommend all members of the Order to take facts and data where they find members of the Order engaged in the sale or traffic of intoxicating liquors, and communicate the same to the nearest divisions.

Moved by Parker to concur. Motion adopted.

3d. As it is impossible for our G. C. C. to visit all the divisions during the year, and as a majority of them desire to have him meet with them on Sunday, we recommend that the G. C. C. make his own dates when visiting divisions, notifying the Chief Conductor of the division. The latter will then notify the division and call a meeting for the date fixed, the G. C. C. to give the C. C. of said division not less than one week's notice of such meeting.

Moved by Jones to concur. Motion adopted.

4th. We concur in the recommendation of the G. C. C. that he be relieved of the duties as editor of our *Monthly*, and that the Grand Division select a member of the Order as editor, if practicable, and if not, the Executive Committee to appoint an editor, and he to receive the sum of \$— per year for such service. While your committee are in a measure opposed to recommending another salaried officer, we do this to relieve the G. C. C. of the editorship of our *Monthly*, in order to enable him to devote his time to visiting and organizing divisions.

Moved by Fitzgerald to concur. Motion adopted.

5th. Your committee recommend that all members of the Order who are seeking employment, correspond with the C. C. or Secretary of subordinate divisions in regard to procuring employment, as the fact that a large majority of our brothers roaming over the country out of work is detrimental to our Order, and has a tendency to reduce our wages as conductors.

Moved by Fitzgerald to concur. Motion adopted.

6th. Your committee recommend that the members having in charge the fund for Bro. Hy Shew, be admitted to seats in this Grand Body for the purpose of making their report, and if possible to settle the matter by paying the balance held in trust by them to Bro. Shew.

Moved by McDougal to concur, and admit members of the committee to a seat in this session of the Grand Division. Motion adopted.

7th. In the matter of expense incurred by the Commission on Permanent Location, and the bill of the Executive Committee on examining the books of our Grand Secretary and Treasurer, we recommend that the amount be paid.

Moved by Chapman, to refer to Committee on Finance. Adopted.

8th. In the matter of the arrest of the charter of Division 123, we recommend that all papers relative to this subject be placed in the hands of the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

Moved by Daniels to refer to Committee on Jurisprudence.

Moved by Chapman to amend, to refer to Special Committee.

Motion to amend, lost.

Original motion to refer to Committee on Jurisprudence adopted.

9th. We concur in the recommendation of the G. C. C. that the Grand Division take action in the matter of members seeking employment.

Moved by Unkefer to concur. Adopted.

10th. We concur in the recommendation of our G. C. C. that this Grand Body enact a law defining the issue of withdrawal cards and the cost thereof, and recommend that said withdrawal cards be deposited before the expiration of six months in any division of the O. R. C., and if not deposited in any division before the time mentioned above, said card becomes null and void, and the holder ceases to be a member of the Order of Railway Conductors.

Moved by Ingram to concur. Motion adopted.

11th. Your committee endorses the action of the G. C. C. in directing the G. S. and T. to send a copy of our *Monthly* to all divisions of our Order as a matter of record.

Moved by Sitts to concur. Motion adopted.

12th. Your committee endorses the action of the G. C. C. in the matter of clerk hire and the expense for the same during the past year.

Moved by Millard to concur. Motion adopted.

13th. We endorse the action of the G. C. C. in granting dispensations, and concur in his decision that yard conductors are not eligible for membership in the O. R. C., under the law.

Moved by Conner to concur. Motion adopted.

14th. In the matter of new Rituals, we recommend the adoption of the same, and that all divisions organized prior to October 1, 1885, receive eight copies of the new Ritual without additional cost for the same; all copies of the old or previous Rituals, now in possession of the divisions of the Order, be destroyed by the C. C. of each division, the said C. C. to notify by letter, under seal of the division, the date and number of Rituals so destroyed.

Moved by G. Parks to refer to Committee on Finance. Motion adopted.

15th. REPORT OF GRAND SECRETARY AND TREASURER.—We concur in the recommendation of our G. S. and T., that the time of holding our Grand Sessions be changed from October to May, and we further recommend the adoption of the report of our G. S. and T., as read by him.

Moved by Millard to refer to Committee on Finance. Motion adopted.

16th. REPORT OF INSURANCE COMMITTEE.—We recommend that all division secretaries make suitable acknowledgment through the columns of our *Monthly*, of all benefits paid to members of divisions or their families from the insurance fund. We further recommend the adoption of their report as read.

Moved by Cornelius to concur. Motion Adopted.

17. In closing our labors as your Committee on Grand Officers' Reports, we take this occasion to express our deep sense of obligation to our Grand Officers for their untiring efforts in behalf of the Order, and especially do we express our gratitude to our G. C. C. and G. S. and T. for the able manner in which they have discharged their duties.

We further recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

WHEREAS, Bro. C. S. Wheaton and Bro. W. P. Daniels as editor and manager of our *Monthly* and as our executive officers have been for the past two years the targets at which certain persons have hurled their abuse in many ways ;

WHEREAS, They are still being persecuted by statements and assertions without a shadow of foundation upon truth and in a manner calculated to injure their character and good name ; and

WHEREAS, They have borne all this without complaint through the columns of our *Monthly*, the only manner in which they could hope to deny these falsehoods with a prospect of setting themselves right in the minds of the people who have heard only one side of the question ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the thanks of this Grand Division be extended to our faithful brothers who have so manfully withstood these attacks, and we hereby declare that the official acts of our Grand Officers are endorsed by

your committee, and that the thanks and support of each member of our Grand Division be hereby cheerfully tendered to our Grand officers.

[Signed.]

SAMUEL PHIPPS,
AL. L. VANNAMAN,
WES. PERMAR,
ED. COMAN,
H. F. WALLACE,

Committee.

Moved by Conner to concur and adopt resolutions.

J. H. Kimball in the chair.

Several members asked to be excused.

Moved by Wheaton that all be excused.

Moved by Chapman to lay motion to excuse on the table. Motion lost.
Motion to excuse lost.

Moved by Martin that the Executive Committee be excused from voting.
Motion adopted.

Bro. Shew asked to be excused. Moved by Snipes that Bro. Shew be excused.

Moved by Daniels that motion to excuse Bro. Shew be laid on the table.
Motion lost.

Moved by Chapman to postpone consideration of motion to excuse Shew.
Motion lost. Motion to excuse lost.

Bro. Daniels explained his vote by saying that he would not follow the precedent established by the Grand Officers and several members by asking to be excused, and that he would vote to endorse his own actions and thank himself with the greatest of pleasure and vote YES.

The motion was adopted by the following ballot :

SECOND BALLOT.

Ayes—Conner, Richmond, McMurray, Dewey, Parker, A. S., Martin., Brown, Burr, Hoadley, Unkefer, Duffey, Lewis, Wm., Douglas, Hall, Sebree, Johnston, A. A., Hyde, Potter, A., Phelps, Stadler, Flint, Gordon, Sears, Ogilvie, Smith, L. T., Chapman, A., Cross, Wm. C., Everts, Collins, S. T., Cronk, Park, W. L., Phipps, Arnold, Wilkins, Ginn, Caldwell, Wilder, Vannaman, Howard, Heether, Brigham, Carpenter, Cole, Swayze, Sullivan, Dillon, Gaylord, Powell, Tripp, Jackson, Sloan, Bycraft, Stearns, Johnson, Permar, Burns, Ed., Parker, C. C., Mills, Flynn, Lewis, C. W., Roberts, R., Cross, Lovejoy, Ellis, Simpkins, Dennison, Reese, Curran, Glenn, McClin-tock, Hamilton, Weisz, Harris, R. E., Mather, Potter, P. H., McBain, Alexander, Davis, McDougal, Wallace, Benson, Strang, Pechin, Babcock, Graves, Hammond, G. R., Howe, Adams, Ives, Crawford, Waldron, Bell, Stevenson, Hardy, McDonald, Albright, Parks, G., Mitchell, Harris, W. N., King, Flagg, Blakslee, Collins, M. F., Worden, Kirkbride, Hammond, C. F., Winder, Burns, J. C., Burley, White, Moor, Eggleston, McDonald,

Ancker, Ross, Mitchell, Cook, Richardson, R., Collins, P. J., Coman, Mangum, Taylor, Pugh, English, Shumate, Millard, Ingram, Wheaton, Belknap, Daniels, Durbin, Mohler, Flack, Collins, W. L., Kimball, Rosen-cranz, Stone, Shew, Carver, Hunt, Sackett, Forker, Ryan, Stanchfield — 144.

Nays Compton, Jones, Bunnell, German, Winter, Willard, Vincent, Crawford, Garrettson, Bailey, Cornelius, Gardner, Hancock, Peters, Butt, Roberts, J. R., Johnstone, Gillett, Sitts, McCarthy, J. F., Carnahan, Powles, Boyden, Snipes, Yantis, Deforce, Sheehan, Little, Richardson, T. S., Cutter, Fairbrass, Kitto, Kelley, Allen, Johnston, J. T., Moran, Fessenden, Maxwell, Chittenden, Baker, Fowler, McKain, Fitzgerald, Chapman, H. S., Forker, Harnest, Arnum — 47.

Minutes read and approved. Grand Division took a recess at 2 P. M.

Grand Division was called to order at 4 P. M., with the following present, [see roll, pages 733-736].

Communication from the St. Louis Air Line Railway was read as follows:

C. S. Wheaton, Esq., Grand Chief Conductor O. R. C., Liederkranz Hall, City:

DEAR SIR--The management of the St. Louis Air Line bids you and through you to the officers and delegates of the O. R. C., now in session in this city, a hearty welcome, and offers to them and their families the courtesies of their line for a special train to Marengo Cave and return on Sunday, October 25th.

I am authorized by Mr. O. Steen, lessee of Marengo Cave, to say that admission to cave will be free.

Would suggest that special train leave bridge depot at 9:30 A. M., standard time, returning to Louisville by 6:30 P. M.

Would be pleased to have you notify me as early as possible how many will make the trip, in order that Mr. R. S. Miner, our General Superintendent, may arrange for transportation. Trusting that as many of the delegates and their families as can will avail themselves of the opportunity, I am,

Very respectfully,

JAMES A. CLARK, Gen'l F. and T. A.,

Per Gates.

On motion of Millard, the Grand Secretary was instructed to reply to the letter, notifying the St. Louis Air Line R. R. that the invitation would be accepted with thanks.

Moved by Vannaman, that the following message be sent:

LOUISVILLE, Ky., October 21, 1885.

P. M. Arthur, G. C. E. of the B. of L. E., New Orleans, La.; C. E. Wilkinson, G. M. of the B. of R. R. B., Burlington, Iowa:

The Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors sends to the Grand Division of the B. of L. E. and the Grand Lodge of the B. of R. R. B.,

now in session at New Orleans and at Burlington, Iowa, greeting, and extends you the hand of friendship, hoping that your meetings may be harmonious and that will boldly take a stand as opposed to strikes, the better to advance your present and future interests.

Moved by Butt that motion to send message be laid on the table. Motion to table adopted.

Under call of divisions, amendments by Conner, Richmond, Compton, Duffey, Jones, Bunnell, Hall, Potter, A., Ogilvie, Smith, Cross, W. C., Everts, Park, W. L., Cronk, Vannaman, Caperton, Dillon, Winter, Bailey, Peters, Johnstone, Curran, Weisz, Davis, Strang, Richardson, T. S., Bell, Collins, M. F., Fessenden, Baker, Cook, Kopp, Vincent, Snipes, White, Chapman, H. S., and Rosencranz, were referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

Grand Division took recess at 6:50 P. M.

MORNING.

OCTOBER 22, 1885.

Grand Division was called to order at 9:20 A. M., with the following present, [see roll, pages 733-736].

Amendments to the Constitution, by Moran, were referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

The Executive Committee made their report as follows:

To Grand Officers and Members of the Eighteenth Session of the Grand Division :

We, your junior members of the Executive Committee, come before you this eighteenth session of the Grand Division at this time under very embarrassing circumstances, as the chairman of this committee, Bro. J. S. Randolph, being absent on account of sickness of himself and family, and it being impossible for him to be present, and he having failed to send us a statement of all of his and our accounts for the past year ; consequently the delay in this, our annual report, and we beg leave to ask the leniency of this Grand Body we feel due us on account of this failure.

As we have framed this report partially from memory and memorandums of our own accounts, not knowing the whole, and many papers that should be in our hands we have not received as yet.

First, in obedience to an order of the seventeenth annual session of the Grand Division, held at Boston, to go to Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and with an expert book-keeper examined the books, vouchers and papers of our Grand Secretary and Treasurer and check the same.

On the first day of January, 1885, we met at the headquarters of the Order, and with the expert did check the accounts of our Grand Secretary

and Treasurer, and found his accounts correct, and had a printed statement of the same sent to every division and Grand Officer of our Order.

During the year past we have approved the following bills:

For organizing divisions to special D. G. C. C.,

Favor Bro. G. R. Hammond, for Division 143.....	\$15 00
“ “ C. A. Millard, “ 158	15 00
“ “ J. B. W. Johnston, “ 159.....	75 00
“ “ H. S. Chapman, “ 167.....	16 63
“ “ F. Rosencranz, “ 168.....	5 00
“ “ C. H. Wood, “ 172.....	20 00
“ “ H. Fonda, “ 171.....	5 00
“ “ M. C. Savage, “ 183.....	15 00
“ “ H. S. Chapman, As. Special Deputy.....	18 85

And the bill of our G. C. C. for expenses traveling in interest of our Order, from October 15, 1884, to October 1, 1885, to the amount of \$870.21.

We are fully conversant with all the correspondence between our Grand Chief Conductor and Division No. 123, it having been referred to us by our Grand Chief Conductor, and after due consultation and consideration of this matter we did, through our chairman, by letter, advise Division No. 123 to make a suitable apology to our Grand Chief Conductor for the language used in this letter, as we looked upon the correspondence from Division 123 to our Grand Chief Conductor, demoralizing and insulting in the extreme.

They answered by letter in reply to us what they considered an apology to us, but as we looked upon it as only a support and upholding of themselves in the position taken by them from the first. We are in accord with our Grand Chief Conductor, and do support him in the course he has pursued, in arresting the charter of Division No. 123. It was the plain duty of Division No. 123, under our law, if they had any grievance against any Grand Officer, to make their complaint direct to your Executive Committee, and we know that Division No. 123 was informed of their duty under the law of our Order and refused to act right in the matter.

On or about the twenty-ninth day of May, we met at the office of the Order at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and again with an expert examined the books, vouchers and papers and accounts of our Grand Secretary and Treasurer, and we found everything kept in an orderly and satisfactory manner, and his accounts correct. The report we have mailed to all divisions and Grand Officers. A copy of the same is attached to this report.

The very flattering condition of our entire Order at this time is a matter of congratulation, as we now number 187 divisions with a membership of 8,060 members; also, of a membership in our noble Insurance of 2,890 members, an increase in the past year unparalleled in the history of any association of this kind. We compliment our Grand Officers, one and all, on the

faithful discharge of their duties for the past year, to which our prosperity and growth is mainly due.

In conclusion, brothers, we would say, that by courage, energy and perseverance, our Order has been placed in such a position that it stands to-day honored and respected wherever known, and we would urge upon all brothers to bear in mind, that there is no derogation from the high standing it has attained. With the best wishes for all of our brothers, we are

Yours truly in P. F.,

J. N. ROBINSON,

H. HURTY,

Committee.

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ORDER OF RAILWAY CONDUCTORS.

OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. }

To all C. C. and Brothers:

Agreeable to Article 4, Section 1, of the Constitution, your Executive Committee, at the general headquarters of the Order in Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on the 28th day of May, 1885, inspected the books, vouchers and accounts of the Grand Officers, with the following result: We find,

Cash on hand October 1st, 1884	\$ 4,187 43
Received from October 1st, 1884 to May 1st, 1885	11,504 20
Total	<u>\$15,691 63</u>
Contra,	
Disbursed as follows, as per vouchers on file	\$ 9,730 75
Leaving balance on hand May 1st, 1885	5,970 88
	<u>\$15,691 63</u>
The above amount is deposited in the City National Bank, at Cedar Rapids, Iowa.	
We find on examination, the balance on hand May 1st, 1884, was	
	\$2,529 88
We find balance on hand May 1st, 1885	5,970 88
Showing an increase of balance of	<u>\$3,451 00</u>

We find upon close examination that a large proportion of the divisions have not paid their annual dues for 1885. If all had paid promptly we should now be able to show a large increase over present balance, and would respectfully recommend that divisions take prompt action in this matter.

We find that the Insurance membership has greatly increased since October 1st, 1884.

There being now, May 28th, 1885	2,350
While October 1st, 1885, there were	1,185
Showing net increase of	<u>1,063</u>

We find that we have at the present time about 4,500 subscribers to the *Conductors' Monthly*, which, by slight exertion on the part of members might be materially increased within a short time. The profits derived from this source go into our Grand Treasury, and is the property of each member of the Order. We would ask each member to assist himself in this matter, and, by a united effort, let us double this list before October next.

We found the general offices of the Order of Railway Conductors pleasantly located in the Farmers' Insurance Building on Second street, in Cedar Rapids, Iowa. The furniture which has been placed therein is well adapted to the uses intended; the rooms have been beautified by contributions from various individuals and from railroad companies, for which the Order is under many obligations. The safe provided for at the last session of the Grand Division, has been purchased at an amount within the appropriation made for its purchase, and is in position in the office. The books and papers of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer are kept in an orderly manner and in proper form. Upon examination we found that the bond required of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer could not be procured of any guarantee company, as our Association is not an incorporated body, we were unable to procure said bond. We have, however, required the Grand Secretary and Treasurer to give a private bond, which he has done to the amount of \$20,000, as the next best method to fulfill the wishes of the Grand Division.

On account of the large increase during the past six months of the general business of the Order, and particularly the correspondence and the Insurance Association, the Grand Chief Conductor finds it impossible to properly attend to the work of the office, including the numerous and arduous details in connection with the editing of the *Monthly*, and to answer the calls for outside work of the Order constantly demanding his personal attention. He has suggested the only feasible plan whereby a part of this labor can be performed at a small extra expense, thus enabling him to better fill his proper office of Grand Chief Conductor in personal work among the divisions of the Order. After a conference we fully concur in the plan suggested by the Grand Chief Conductor.

We find that a great deal of personal correspondence comes to the Grand Chief Conductor, and to the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, pertaining to matters which require an official decision, and we would recommend that all such correspondence be sent through the division secretaries under seal of the division.

Our Grand Chief Conductor has made a good selection of clerk, whom he has hired for the year, in the person of Bertha E. Clauson, who is a shorthand reporter, apt and quick with the pen as well as the type-writer. She has the capabilities of two ordinary clerks, and performs the work for both Grand Chief Conductor and Grand Secretary and Treasurer.

We congratulate the brothers of the Order on our large growth and

success, and hope the past prosperity will be but a foreshadowing of the grand success in the years to come. Through perpetual friendship may our Order be perpetuated.

Yours very truly in P. F.,

JOHN S. RANDOLPH,
JOHN N. ROBINSON,
HIRAM HURTY,

Executive Committee.

The report was referred to Committee on Grand Officers' Reports.

Moved by Vannaman, that the message to the B. of L. E. and B. of R. R. B. be taken from the table. Motion adopted.

By consent, all after the word "harmonious" was stricken from the message.

Moved by Vannaman, that message be sent.

Moved by Strang, that all relating to the B. of R. R. B. be stricken from the message.

Moved by Millard, that the consideration of the subject matter be indefinitely postponed. Motion adopted.

Moved by Chapman, that motion to postpone be reconsidered.

Moved by Millard, that motion to reconsider be laid on the table.

Motion to table adopted.

Under head of "Unfinished Business," amendments to the Constitution passed by the 17th annual session were taken up.

Moved by Daniels, that the consideration of all amendments be postponed until after the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence.

Motion adopted.

Division No. 117, in answer to resolution adopted at the 17th annual session, replied, that they had admitted no charter members; that all charter members of Division No. 117 were admitted by the Deputy G. C. C.

On motion of Bro. Phipps, the answer was received and filed.

Resolution passed by the 17th annual session, asking Division 108 why they admitted one J. E. Sparks.

Moved by Daniels, to refer resolution to Committee on Grievances and Appeals. Motion adopted.

Moved by Daniels, that the case of Division No. 100 *vs.* E. A. Pinney, in which the verdict of Division No. 100 was set aside by the G. C. C. for informality, be referred to the Committee on Grievances and Appeals, with the request that they investigate and report.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE.

The Committee on Jurisprudence reported as follows:

Your Committee on Jurisprudence beg leave to report, that from the information contained in the G. C. C. report, we are of the opinion that he was justified in arresting the charter of No. 123, and that such arrest was in

accordance with law. We recommend that the entire matter be referred to a special committee of five, to whom all papers pertaining to the matter shall be referred. We also recommend that Bro. W. S. Sears be appointed chairman, with C. A. Stanchfield, Samuel Phipps, J. B. W. Johnstone and J. H. Hall associates.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence beg leave to report unfavorably on amendment by Jones, and recommend its rejection.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence beg leave to report, that from the mass of papers and amendments presented to this Grand Division, we infer that an entire new and different Constitution is desired, and we find it impossible, in the short space of time granted your committee, to present an intelligent or satisfactory report. We therefore recommend that a special committee of three be appointed to prepare an entire new Constitution, and to whom all the papers presented to this Grand Session shall be referred. It is the sense of your committee that Section 1 of Article 11 and Article 26, Insurance Laws, should be suspended with power delegated to the nineteenth session of the Grand Division to adopt at that session such Constitution as may be found satisfactory, waiving the requirements of Section 1, Article 11 and Article 26, Insurance Laws.

Your Committee on Jurisprudence recommend the appropriation of three hundred dollars for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the committee.

H. C. CHAPMAN, Chairman,
E. HAMILTON,
W. E. FORKER,
A. G. WHITE,
JAMES OGILVIE,
Committee.

Moved by Kilpatrick, that the report of the committee be accepted, and all matter relating to the arrest of the charter of Division 123 be referred to a special committee, consisting of Bros. Sears, Stanchfield, Phipps, Johnstone and Hall.

Moved by Hall, to amend by referring the matter to the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

Moved by Cronk, that motion to amend be laid on the table. Lost.

Motion to amend, lost.

Motion to refer to special committee adopted.

Moved by Phipps, that the Grand Division concur in the report of the Committee on Jurisprudence recommending the rejection of amendment, as follows:

By Jones: Be it enacted that the words, "Except arbitration shall fail to adjust any grievance," be added to the third paragraph, page 22 of the Ritual, after the words, "railway employes" in the third line.

This amendment to take effect and be in full force on and after its final passage.

To close debate, the previous question was moved by Burr, and ordered by the Grand Division. The recommendation of the committee was concurred in, and the amendment rejected by the following ballot:

Third ballot:

Ayes—Conner, Richmond, Compton, McMurray, Dewey, Parker, A. S., Brown, Burr, Hoadley, Unkefer, Duffey, Bunnell, Lewis, Wm., Douglas, Hall, Seebree, Johnston, A. A., Hyde, Potter, A., Phelps, Stadler, Flint, Gordon, Sears, Ogilvie, Smith, Chapman, A., Cross, W. C., Everts, Collins, S. T., Cronk, Park, W. L., Phipps, Arnold, Winter, Willard, Wilkins, Ginn, Caldwell, Wilder, Vincent, Vannaman, Crawford, Howard, Heether, Brigham, Cole, Swayze, Sullivan, Dillon, Gaylord, Tripp, Gardner, Hancock, Peters, Butt, Roberts, J. R., Johnstone, Gillett, Sitts, Sloan, Bycraft, Stearns, Johnson F. E., Pernar, Burns, Ed., Parker, C. C., Mills, Flynn, Lewis, C. H., Roberts, R., Powles, Cross, C. K., Dodson, Priest, Laughlin, Lovejoy, Ellis, Dennison, Reese, Boyden, Curran, Glenn, Snipes, McClintock, Hamilton, E., Lefler, Weisz, Harris, R. E., Yantis, Mathers, Potter, P. H., McBain, Alexander, Davis, McDougal, Benson, Strang, Shechan, Little, Pechin, Richardson, T. S., Cutter, Fairbrass, Graves, Hammond, G. R., Howe, Adams, Nelson, Ives, Crawford, Waldron, Bowden, Bell, Stevenson, Hardy, McDonald, T. J., Albright, Campbell, Allen, Parks, G., Mitchell, Thos. M., Harris, W. N., King, Flagg, Johnston, J. T., Blakslee, Collins, M. F., Worden, Kirkbride, Hammond, C. F., Moran, Winder, Fessenden, Maxwell, Burns, J. C., Burley, White, Moore, Eggleston, Chittenden, McDonald, R. M., Ancker, Mitchell, Cook, Richardson, Robt., Collins, Coman, Mangum, Kopp, McKain, Taylor, Pugh, Shumate, Robinson, Hurty, Millard, Wheaton, Belknap, Daniels, Durbin, Flack, Mohler, Collins, W. L., Kimball, Rosen-cranz, Aechternacht, Stone, Shew, Chapman, H. S., Carver, Hunt, Sackett, Forker, Harnest, Ryan, McCarthy, J. E., Stanchfield, Arnum—182.

Nays—Martin, Jones, Smith, G. B., German, Garrettson, Powell, Cornelius, Jackson, McCarthy, J. F., Simpkins, Babcock, Kitto, Cowardin, Kelley, Baker, Ingram—16.

Ingram and Cowardin explained their votes by saying that personally they were in favor of the rejection of the resolution, but voted against the report of the committee in deference to the opinions of their divisions.

Moved by W. L. Park, that the recommendation of the Committee on Jurisprudence, that all matter relating to the Constitution and Laws be referred to a special committee, be concurred in. Motion adopted.

Moved by Kilpatrick, that all amendments to the Constitution now under way, be referred to the Special Committee on Constitution and Laws, and that the committee be requested to report to this session of the Grand Division as early as possible. Adopted.

The G. C. C. appointed as the Special Committee, H. S. Chapman, declined; W. E. Forker, declined; James Ogilvie, declined; A. G. White, declined; E. Hamilton, E. B. Coman, and O. Sackett.

Minutes read and approved. Grand Division took a recess at 12:40 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

OCTOBER 22, 1885.

Grand Division was called to order at 2:30 P. M., with the following present, [see roll call, pages 733-736].

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES OF THE SHEW FUND.

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of Eighteenth Session, Grand Division O. of R. C.:

The majority of Board of Trustees of Shew Fund, appointed by G. C. C., C. S. Wheaton, beg leave to make the following report:

In accordance with recommendation of Grand Chief Conductor, concurred in by Grand Division, in 17th annual session, at Boston, in 1884, a fund was raised for the purpose of starting Bro. Hy. Shew in business.

Your Trustees not being able to find a business which was satisfactory to Bro. Shew, and within the limit of the means at hand, at a meeting held in Elmira, in January, 1885, it was decided unanimously to provide for the support of Bro. Shew directly from the funds at hand, as follows: To pay to Bro. Shew, between the 1st and 10th of each month, the sum of twenty-five dollars (\$25.00). Should it be found necessary, an addition to this amount might be appropriated at any time by a majority of the Board of Trustees.

In May, Bro. Shew requested an extra remittance of twenty-five dollars, which was sent him. In June, he wished an extra allowance to pay his dues to Division 40, and also to procure a division card. This amount (\$7.00) was also sent him. In July, he requested us to send him the usual remittance for August, in advance, which was done. September 29th, Bro. Shew being in Elmira, requested an extra amount in addition to the usual amount for October, to enable him to attend the 18th session of Grand Division, at Louisville, stating to Bro. Wood that twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) would be sufficient. This was also paid to Bro. Shew, who afterwards requested an additional twenty-five dollars (\$25.00), which Bro. Wood and myself agreed to send him. A letter from Bro. Wood, received since my arrival at Louisville, states that he had forwarded a draft to Baltimore for the above amount, but Bro. Shew left home before receiving it, therefore we have not his receipt for this last remittance.

Bro. Savage not being present, we make a majority report, but as our proceedings have always been with unanimous consent, we believe if Bro. Savage was present that he would have signed this report.

December 21, 1884, we received \$500 from Bro. Wm. P. Daniels for Bro. Shew.

On January 24th, by appointment, Bros. Sackett and Savage came to Elmira to consult in regard to investing the fund in some light business for the benefit of Bro. Shew. The facts in the case did not seem sufficient to warrant the investment, as the business Bro. Shew wished to engage in was a retail store of men's underwear, at 151 E. Baltimore Street, Baltimore, Md., requiring a larger capital than the fund could be expected to reach. Copy-

ing from Bro. Shew's letter to the trustees: "I can secure an established business in which I am assured I can make a living, if I had a capital of two or three thousand dollars to start with." It was decided by your committee to place the fund on deposit in the Second National Bank, of Elmira, N. Y., allowing Bro. Shew twenty-five dollars per month, which amount has been paid monthly, beginning January, 1885, with an extra allowance of twenty-five dollars in May.

The following divisions have contributed to the Hy. Shew fund:

Division Number.	Amount.	Division Number.	Amount.	Division Number.	Amount.	Division Number.	Amount.	Division Number.	Amount.	Division Number.	Amount.
1	\$10 00	23	\$1 75	46	\$20 00	76	\$3 15	112	\$5 50	136	\$6 25
3	24 00	24	5 00	47	20 00	78	4 00	113	5 00	137	4 00
4	10 00	26	12 00	49	18 00	79	16 00	114	5 50	138	12 00
5	7 50	27	12 00	50	5 25	80	4 25	115	12 50	141	10 00
6	7 00	28	9 50	52	16 00	83	20 00	116	2 50	142	11 50
7	11 00	29	6 00	53	5 00	84	5 00	117	7 00	144	4 50
8	20 00	31	25 00	54	10 00	85	10 00	118	5 75	145	2 25
9	13 25	32	10 00	55	50 00	86	7 25	119	5 50	146	3 00
10	7 00	33	2 25	56	12 50	94	10 00	120	4 00	147	6 00
11	19 00	34	11 00	58	5 00	99	7 00	121	7 50	148	0 50
12	11 50	35	5 00	59	11 00	100	7 00	122	3 50	149	5 00
13	14 25	36	15 00	60	10 00	101	6 50	123	8 00	150	4 00
14	10 00	37	7 50	61	10 00	103	15 00	124	9 75	151	3 00
15	10 00	38	5 00	62	3 75	104	10 25	125	7 00	152	2 00
17	21 50	39	10 00	63	4 00	105	2 00	127	6 25	153	3 75
18	8 50	40	63 00	65	2 00	106	11 15	130	4 00	154	4 25
19	9 50	41	10 00	66	4 50	107	3 25	131	22 00	155	3 00
20	10 00	42	3 06	67	20 00	108	10 00	132	3 00	.....	.....
21	10 00	44	10 00	72	10 00	109	6 00	133	6 00	.....	.....
22	8 00	45	10 00	75	4 25	110	10 00	135	7 00	.....	.....

J. C. Moon & Wade.....	\$ 1 00
Coulter, Welch & Rundell.....	75
From Division No. 2.....	10 00
From Division No. 64.....	3 75

Making a total received to date of.....	\$1,128 80
Disbursed since June 15th.....	\$157 00
Disbursed prior to June 15th.....	175 00
Total disbursement.....	332 00
Balance on deposit.....	\$ 796 00

All of which we respectfully submit in P. F.

[Signed,]

C. A. WOOD,
O. SACKETT,
Trustees.

Moved by Cronk, that the report of the trustees be accepted, and that they be directed to pay the balance of the fund to Bro. Hy. Shew. Motion adopted.

The Committee on Jurisprudence made the following report:

We, your Committee on Jurisprudence, wish to report favorably on the following amendments by Bro. G. B. Smith:

Be it Enacted, That the following supplementary question be added in the question book: "You will be required to obligate yourself not to engage in any strike of railway employees; are you willing to take such an obligation?"

We recommend the adoption of the amendment, to take effect June 1st, 1886.

[Signed,]

H. S. CHAPMAN, Chairman,
W. E. FORKER,
JAMES OGILVIE,
A. G. WHITE.

Moved by Sitts that report be accepted and recommendation concurred in. Motion adopted.

Communication from P. G. C. C. J. B. Morford, in regard to claim against Division 54, was read.

Moved by Cutter, that the communication and all papers relating to the claim be referred to the Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

Moved by G. R. Hammond to amend by referring to Committee on Finance. Motion lost.

Motion to refer to Committee on Grievances and Appeals was adopted.

Resolution by Weisz, referred to Committee on Jurisprudence on motion of Snipes.

By Kirkpatrick:

Resolved, That the Executive Committee and the Insurance Committee, together with the G. C. C. and the Assistant G. C. C., as soon after the close of the present session of the Grand Division as practicable, proceed to have the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors incorporated under the provision of the Statutes of the State of Illinois, by virtue of an Act entitled —————, and to comply with the provisions of said Act; the Executive Committee and the Insurance Committee, together with the G. C. C. and the Assistant G. C. C., be and are hereby constituted a Board of Directors for the purpose of said Act, their successors, legally elected and qualified, to constitute said Board of Directors during their terms of office as said officers.

Resolved, That said Act of Incorporation and the names of said Board of Directors be recorded in the office of the Recorder of Deeds of the County of Cook, State of Illinois, and the name of each succeeding Board of Directors be so recorded as soon after the close of the Grand Division, by which they were elected, as practicable.

Moved by Kilpatrick that the resolution be adopted. Motion adopted.

Moved by Cross that one-half day be set apart by the G. C. C., during each session of the Grand Division, for members to confer both degrees on candidates, in order that the work may be fully exemplified before all delegates.

Moved by Chapman that resolution be adopted. Lost.

By King :

WHEREAS, It has been the custom of the Order to publish in the *Railway Conductors' Monthly* the names of those who have been suspended or expelled, and believing that such exposure of the affairs of the Order is detrimental to its best interests and an injustice to the brothers whose names are thus published ; therefore, be it

Ordered, That henceforth no publication be made of the names of those suspended and expelled by our Order in any magazine, newspaper, or other periodical, and that such information be conveyed by private circular to the several divisions of the Order, and that it be under seal of secrecy, and so regarded by all brothers.

Moved by W. L. Park that motion be adopted. Carried.

By Permar :

WHEREAS, It has come to our knowledge that our secret work has, and is still being exposed, we believe this is being done by members of our Order through their want of knowledge of the laws and Ritual governing our Order ;

Resolved, That it is the duty of this Grand Division to enact such laws at their 18th annual session as will, in their opinion, protect our secret work from further exposure in this direction ; therefore,

Be it Enacted, That each division of our Order will furnish annually to the Grand Division a report showing the examination of each of its members in the Ritual, said examination to consist of the following questions :

1st. How shall a brother gain admission to a division of conductors where he is not known or vouched for ?

2d. Repeat the test oath and lecture of the first and second degrees without the aid of the Ritual.

3d. Repeat the obligation of the first and second degrees without the aid of the Ritual.

4th. Give the annual pass-word, grip and word of both degrees.

This examination to be conducted by the C. C. of their respective divisions in open division.

Any division failing to make and forward said report to the G. C. C. at least sixty days before the meeting of the Grand Division, will not be allowed representation in the Grand Division without a two-thirds vote.

Any member failing to pass a satisfactory examination in the above questions, or neglects to be present for examination after he has been duly

notified to appear for examination, will be reprimanded or suspended, to be determined by the division of which he is a member.

Moved by Daniels to amend by adding, "That the G. C. C. is hereby directed to see that all Rituals in existence are destroyed."

Moved by McDougal to amend the amendment by adding, "Except one for the C. C. of each division." Amendment to amendment lost. Amendment lost.

Moved by Daniels that the enacting clause be stricken out. Adopted.

By J. R. Roberts :

Be it Ordered, That the names on the record of ballot be changed, and those of the Executive Committee, Grand Officers, Insurance Committee, Permanent Members, and members admitted by special act of the Grand Division, be placed first in the order named.

Moved by Millard to adopt. Motion lost.

Statement by the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, there is in his possession some property of old Sciota Division, 33, and that a new division has been organized at Chillicothe, and permission is requested to present to them the property of old Division 33

Permission given by general consent

By Jackson :

Resolved, That the present Insurance Laws be made obligatory on all members of the Order.

Moved by Chapman to adopt. Motion lost.

By Simpkins :

Resolved, That this Grand Division does not approve of our Grand Officers employing any one in the capacity of clerk, or to assist in any of their official duties connected with the Order of Railway Conductors who is not a member of the Order of Railway Conductors, and that the situation of any person now so employed shall be filled by members of the Order of Railway Conductors.

Moved by Daniels to adopt. Moved by Cronk that it be indefinitely postponed. Motion to postpone carried.

By Jackson :

Resolved, That the Grand Division confine the system of blacklisting to private circulars to all divisions, to be read in open division not less than three times.

Motion by Daniels to adopt. Motion carried.

By Millard :

WHEREAS, Bro. G. M. Loughridge has kindly volunteered to act as Grand Outside Sentinel in the absence of Bro. Cronin ; therefore, be it

Resolved, That he be admitted to a seat in this Grand Division.

Moved by Millard to adopt. Motion carried and G. M. Loughridge admitted to a seat in the Grand Division, and name enrolled as a member of the 18th session.

By Vincent :

Be it Ordered, That there be reserved at least two pages in our *Monthly* each month to give the status of our working force on each road where we have a division located, giving the number of members employed, the time that is made, chances for employment, etc., etc., etc. This can be received by the Secretary of each division who will forward a report once each month to the G. C. C. This to become a law on and after its final passage.

Moved by Daniels to adopt. Motion lost.

By Vincent :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to publish in the *Monthly*, each month, a correct statement of the financial condition of the Grand Division for the information of the subordinate divisions.

Moved by Daniels to adopt. Moved by G. B. Smith to postpone consideration. Motion to postpone adopted.

By Vincent :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary be instructed to make a statement of the number of members in good standing in each division, and publish it in the *Monthly* each month.

Moved by Daniels to adopt. By Wilder, to postpone consideration indefinitely. Adopted.

By Sheehan :

Be it Ordered, That the *Monthly* be enlarged ten pages, the price remaining the same as at present, \$1.25.

Moved by Snipes to adopt. By Wilder, to postpone indefinitely. Adopted.

By Willard :

Be it Ordered, That the blank form for ordering supplies be furnished subordinate divisions in book form with stub.

Moved by Compton to adopt. Carried.

By T. S. Richardson :

Be it Ordered, That the editor of the *Monthly* be instructed not to allow the columns of the *Monthly* to be used either for or against the subject of blacklisting, so far as it relates to railway service.

Moved by W. L. Park to adopt. By Jones, to indefinitely postpone.

Motion to postpone lost. Motion to adopt carried.

Moved by Aechnernacht to reconsider.

Moved by Fitzgerald to table motion to reconsider.

Motion to table adopted.

By A. A. Johnston :

WHEREAS, Each Grand Division since the year 1881 has amended and changed so many articles and sections in the Constitution, therefore,

Be it Ordered, That the G. C. C. and staff be instructed to print fifty new Constitutions for each division; each Constitution should contain all the articles and sections as now printed, together with all the amendments that will have been made and become law, from the year 1881 until the present meeting of this Grand Division; and that the G. C. C. be instructed to call in after the new ones have been printed, all Constitutions used by divisions now, the expense to be borne by each division for the change.

Moved by Cronk to adopt. Motion lost.

By Stone :

Be it ordered, That hereafter the number of charter members for a new division be limited to not more than twelve.

Moved by McDonald to adopt. Motion lost.

By Moran :

Resolved, That the many contingencies that arise in our profession, necessitating us to enter the service of the different lines of railways throughout the country, each of which has a separate and different code of rules and regulations governing those in the train service.

WHEREAS, That many misunderstandings occur, occasioning destruction of life and property; therefore, be it

Resolved, That we as conductors use our best influence with railway officials, to promulgate a code of rules and regulations that shall be universal, thus saving thousands of dollars to railway companies in the safety of property, and millions of dollars in law suits, as well as safety to those entrusted to our care as passengers.

Moved by Moran to adopt. Motion carried

By A. A. Johnston :

Resolved, That the resolution ordering the incorporation of the Order of Railway Conductors be amended by striking out the title of "Assistant G. C. C." and inserting the title of "Grand Secretary and Treasurer."

Moved by Millard to adopt. Motion carried.

By Tripp :

Be it Ordered, That the advertisement of the United States Mutual Accident Association, of New York City, which appears on the back cover of the *Monthly*, be discontinued.

Moved by McDougal to adopt. Motion lost.

COMMUNICATION FROM L. & N. RAILWAY.

LOUISVILLE, KY., October 22, 1885.

C. S. Wheaton, Esq., Grand Chief Conductor O. R. C., Liederkrantz Hall, City:

I am instructed by Mr. J. G. Metcalfe, Superintendent, to say to you, that he will be pleased to give your Order of Conductors a special train to Lexington and return, any day you may designate, except Saturday, in order that you may see the Blue Grass country and its fine horses, etc.

JAMES T. TERHUNE,
Conductor.

Moved by Snipes that the Grand Secretary be instructed to return thanks for the invitation, and notify the L. & N. Ry. that it will be accepted if possible.

Moved by Hurty to reconsider motion to adopt Resolution 96. Adopted. Question on the adoption of Resolution 96. Motion lost.

In answer to a question, the G. C. C. decided that the divisions may increase the time required to become eligible for membership in the Order above one year's service as railway conductors.

Moved by Boyden that this Grand Division affirm and endorse the decision of the G. C. C. Motion adopted.

By E. Hamilton :

WHEREAS, It is essential that all subordinate branches of any secret order should be provided with a suitable charter, showing from whom they derive their authority, and defining the authority conferred upon them by the Grand Body issuing the same, and

WHEREAS, The Order of Railway Conductors have now attained such a growth as to warrant their permanent existence, and

WHEREAS, A large majority of the divisions of the Order have no charter showing from whom they obtained their authority, therefore be it

Resolved, That the G. C. C. and G. S. and T., together with the Executive Committee, are hereby empowered and authorized to prepare and issue to all divisions not now provided with one, a suitable charter, to be signed by the officers of this Grand Division, and issued to all such divisions without extra charge.

Moved by Cronk to adopt. Motion lost.

By Daniels :

Be it Ordered, That until otherwise provided, *The Railway Conductors' Monthly* shall consist of 72 pages, exclusive of covers, and the subscription price shall be as heretofore, \$1.25 per annum. The manager may arrange for such premiums for clubs as he deems for the best interests of the *Monthly*, provided no premium shall be given unless the full sub-

scription price of \$1.25 per annum shall have been paid, and provided further, that no premium shall exceed in value twenty per cent. of the amount received.

Moved by Millard to adopt. Motion carried

By Moran:

WHEREAS, We deem it to be to the best interests of our profession in all that pertains to a more thorough understanding of the railway business and a greater protection from being superseded by inexperienced men, therefore be it

Resolved, That each and every member of the O. R. C. use his influence with the legislators of the various States, to enact such State laws as shall require railway companies to demand that conductors shall pass an examination, before a qualified Board of Examiners, on all that pertains to the duties and requirements of a conductor, getting a certificate to that effect.

Moved by McDonald, that resolution be adopted. Motion lost.

Minutes read and approved.

Grand Division took a recess at 6:50 P. M.

MORNING.

OCTOBER 23, 1885.

Grand Division called to order at 9:35 A. M. with the following present, [see roll, pages 733-736].

By Cross:

Resolved, That the various proceedings of the Grand Division held since the Order was organized up to the present time, be printed and bound in one or two volumes, under the supervision of the G. C. C. and G. S. and T., and furnished to the members of the Order at a slight profit to the Grand Division.

Moved by Millard to adopt. Motion carried.

The Grand Secretary presented the appeal of A. C. Fisher, from decision of Division 44, whereby he was expelled for engaging in a strike.

Appeal was referred to Committee on Grievances and Appeals.

The following communication from Bro. Shew was read and placed on file:

HALL OF GRAND DIVISION, O. R. C., }
LOUISVILLE, KY., Oct. 22d, 1885. }

To the Grand Officers and Members of the Grand Division, and to all Brothers of our Noble O. R. C.:

It is with a deep and lasting sense of heartfelt gratitude, I desire to ask your acceptance of my feeble but sincere thanks for all you have kindly done for my comfort and welfare.

I am unable to convey in words, as I desire, my thanks to you, one and all, for your noble recognition, and generous appreciation and approval of my past humble services and labors for the interest, advancement and elevation of the character and standing of our noble Order; all of which, however, I always cheerfully considered my duty. I hope, therefore, you will take the will for the deed in all that I ought to say and do, as I deeply feel with a spirit of sincere gratitude, my appreciation and thanks for these cheering manifestations of your good will and affection for me. Please pardon my weakness—I can only lift up my heart in earnest prayer and thanksgiving to the giver of all good, sincerely calling upon His Holy Name, to make me truly thankful for the good friends He has raised up for me—and to bless them—and all for whom it is my duty to pray. 'Tis all the return I can make now—feeble, humble prayer from a poor, unworthy recipient of these good and substantial testimonials of appreciation, by my dear brothers of this noble Order. I cannot express how I prize and appreciate your kindness. Oh! That I could reciprocate, however feebly—in part—the goodness you have seen fit to accord to an unworthy brother.

Ever sincerely and gratefully yours in P. F.,

HY. SHEW.

By G. Parks, providing for a change in the editorship of the *Monthly*.

Moved by Fitzgerald to adopt.

By Cronk, to refer to the Special Committee on Constitution. Adopted.

By Fessenden:

Resolved, That in order to obtain recognition in the matter of obtaining favors and adjusting grievances, it shall be the duty of any division or divisions of the Order, to select a member or members as a committee to wait upon the general officers, and to make such request; and, if refused, they may request the G. C. C. to call on the officers, and endeavor to effect a settlement. It shall be the duty of the G. C. C. to comply with the request in every case, and the division or brother requesting shall bear the expense attendant upon the matter.

Moved by W. L. Parks, to adopt. Motion carried.

By Maxwell and R. N. McDonald:

WHEREAS, There are conductors on various railroads who are recognized as conductors, pass examination as such, are paid as such, and are in charge of drill engines, and as it is considered a promotion by the company they are employed by, and furthermore, in order to pass this examination, they must be capable of running a train of any description on said road, be it

Resolved, That in such cases they are eligible to become members of this Order, after having had the required experience.

Moved by Chittenden, to postpone indefinitely. Adopted.

By Cowardin:

WHEREAS, The motto of our Order has always been "Perpetual Friendship," and we believe the time has come when we should add to this certain other ideas expressive of our principles, therefore be it

Resolved, That in the future our motto shall be Fidelity, Justice and Charity in Perpetual Friendship.

Resolved, That a chart be engraved under the direction of the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, and placed in every division room of the Order, as expressive of the principles we advocate.

FIDELITY.

Faithfully adhering to the right; careful and exact in the observance of every duty; loyalty to the interests of ourselves, our Order and our employers.

JUSTICE.

Rendering to every one his due; conforming to all laws, principles of rectitude in our dealings with all men, and especially the brethren; just in our dealings, our conduct, our lives and our obligations as members, remembering always that "With what measure ye mete, it shall be measured unto you again."

CHARITY.

"With malice toward none and charity for all." Living together as brethren should, each striving that he may excel in his charity to his fellow-man and brother, remembering always that "The greatest of these is charity."

R. COWARDIN,
Division 135, Nashville.

Moved by Millard to adopt. Motion carried.
By H. S. Chapman:

Resolved, The members of the Executive Committee present at this session of the Grand Division shall receive \$50 each, as compensation for their faithful and valuable services during this session.

Moved by Ogilvie to amend by adding the members of the Insurance Committee. Motion to amend adopted.

Motion to adopt resolution as amended adopted.
By Cross:

WHEREAS, The Order of Railway Conductors is a non-striking organization, and has so advertised to the world, and

WHEREAS, Some of the brothers in our Order are continually agitating a change in our laws governing this important principle, thereby curtailing the privileges which we enjoy annually, besides working strife among the members, and

WHEREAS, Resolutions having been offered at the last two sessions in regard to this matter show conclusively that a small minority only desire any change from our long established laws on this point, and to prevent any injury to our present high standing, and place ourselves on record for all time to come, therefore be it

Resolved, That any brother who shall present a resolution, act or enactment in regard to changing our laws or obligations in regard to striking, to any Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors, or cause to be presented, or encourage any such resolutions, act, or enactment, shall be expelled from the Order the same as though he participated in an actual strike, and the superintendent of the division of the railroad where he is employed shall be so notified by the Grand Secretary.

Moved by Millard to adopt.

By German to indefinitely postpone.

Motion to postpone adopted.

By Weisz :

Resolved, That this Grand Division pay \$25 to our Grand Officers except the G. C. C. and the G. S. and T., for their faithful performance of their duty.

Moved by Weisz to adopt. Motion lost.

Moved by Phipps that the Grand Division make a present of \$25 each to the Grand Outside Sentinel and the Assistant Grand Secretary and Treasurer. Motion lost.

Amendments to the Constitution by Johnstone and T. S. Richardson, referred to Committee on Jurisprudence.

By Lovejoy :

Resolved, That the Grand Secretary and Treasurer be and is hereby authorized to pay to the Assistant G. S. and T. such compensation as he deems just, for the service rendered this Grand Division

Moved by G. B. Smith to refer to Committee on Finance. Lost.

Moved by Campbell to adopt. Motion lost.

The following communication from the American Train Dispatchers' Association was read :

To the Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of the 18th Session of the Grand Division of the Order of Railway Conductors :

GENTLEMEN: The American Train Dispatchers' Association extends greeting to your Order in convention assembled; prays earnestly for the success of your efforts, and invokes the Divine blessing on your deliberations. May they result in lasting good to the Order, and cause the bonds which unite all railway men, from the highest to the lowest, to grow still stronger with the lapse of time.

We thank you for your unqualified endorsement of our Association and its objects, at your Boston Convention.

We find that the attainment of uniformity in rules governing the movement of trains on all railways in the country, will be materially advanced by the adoption of uniform hand and lantern signals; and as train dispatchers are undeniably the proper men to formulate a set of rules for the former, it is pre-eminently the domain of those who do the actual train work to elaborate and decide upon the plainest and best signals of the latter. We therefore lay the matter before you for renewed consideration, and request that your recommendation be added to ours, to the engineers, firemen and brakemen at their various conventions, and that also, the most suitable colors for flags to be carried on trains be decided upon, and their signification be announced.

The general adoption of these various features will make as perfect a railway system as imperfect human nature can accomplish, and we will have the satisfaction of feeling, that not content with leaving things as we found them, our best efforts have been directed to their improvement. Once more expressing our good wishes, and full of admiration of the considerate care you have taken of helpless members, and the widows and children of deceased members, we remain, your brother workers in the railway service,

THE AMERICAN TRAIN DISPATCHERS' ASS'N.

J. W. LYNAHAN, President.

J. H. McEWEN, Secretary.

Moved by Boyden, that a special committee of five be appointed to prepare a reply to the communication.

The G. C. C. appointed as such committee, Bros. Boyden, Bailey, Maxwell, Mangum and Wallace.

Report of the special committee on the arrest of the charter of Division 123, read by W. S. Sears, chairman of committee.

The report of the committee recommended the return of the charter, and was afterwards withdrawn by consent of the Grand Division.

A protest was offered by Daniels against any further consideration of the arrest of the charter of Division 123, until they paid the amount due from them to the Grand Division.

The following members becoming responsible for the amount due, the protest was withdrawn:

Hall, Div. 17; Willard, Div. 40; Ancker, Div. 170; Brown, Div. 168; Dillon, Div. 56; Everts, Div. 33; Richardson, Div. 123; Curran, Div. 98; Baker, Div. 173; Richmond, Div. 2; Compton, Div. 3; Davis, Div. 112; Simpkin, Div. 94; Jackson, Div. 67.

On motion of Daniels, the Grand Division went into Committee of the Whole, with J. H. Kimball in the chair, on the matter of the arrest of the charter of Division 123.

The Committee of the Whole rose, and the chairman reported that progress had been made in the business assigned them.

Report accepted.

Minutes read and approved. Grand Division took recess at 12:30 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

OCTOBER 23, 1885.

Grand Division was called to order at 2:30 P. M., with the following present, [see roll, pages 733-736].

On motion of Daniels, the Committee of the Whole resumed its sitting in the matter of the arrest of the charter of Division 123, with J. H. Kimball in the chair.

Committee of the Whole arose and reported by Chairman Kimball, recommending that the arrest of the charter by the G. C. C. be sustained, and that Division 123 be given until January 1, 1886, to withdraw the letter in question, pay the amount due from them to the Grand Division, and receive their charter.

On motion of Daniels, the report of the Committee of the Whole was adopted, concurred in, and the Special Committee discharged.

Special Committee on Constitution and Laws reported as follows:

We, your committee, recommend the adoption of the following by G. Parks:

Be it Ordered, That on and after January 1, 1886, or sooner, if the necessary arrangements can be made, the *Monthly* shall be edited by the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, who shall also continue its Business Manager, and to enable him to give it his necessary attention, he is hereby authorized to employ an additional clerk, the aggregate amount to be paid for clerk hire not to exceed \$--- per month.

Resolved, That the contract for printing the *Monthly* shall be let by the G. C. C. and G. S. and T. for a term of not more than three years, as they deem for the best interests of the Order, and in case they should fail to agree to accept any bid, the matter should be decided by a third person who shall be a member of the Order, to be mutually agreed upon by them, and the contract shall be let to the person or firm designated by the third person chosen.

Resolved, That the G. C. C. shall consult with the G. S. and T. in regard to the appointment of associate editors, who shall be members of the Order.

Any order or part of order inconsistent or conflicting herewith, is hereby repealed.

[Signed,]

E. HAMILTON,
E. COMAN,
O. SACKETT,

Committee.

Moved by Parks to concur and adopt. Motion adopted.

The Special Committee on Constitution and Laws announced they were ready to make a final report.

Moved by Wilkins, that Section 1, of Article 2, of the Constitution, be annulled. Adopted.

Moved by Millard that report be read by Section for amendments. Motion adopted.

(For full report see Constitution taking effect June 1, 1886, which will be issued soon.)

Section 1, Article 1, adopted as read, by consent.

Moved by Moran to amend paragraph 10, Section 1, Article 2, by striking out "as delegates." Motion lost.

Moved by Kilpatrick to substitute amendment offered by Division 1. Motion lost.

H. S. Chapman in the chair.

Moved by Dillon to amend paragraph 10, Section 1, Article 2, by striking out "23" and inserting "18."

Previous question moved by Forker and ordered by the Grand Division.

Question on the adoption of amendment. Motion lost.

Paragraphs 1 to 10, Section 1, Article 2, adopted as read, by consent.

Moved by Parks that Grand Division take a recess until 9 A. M. Motion adopted.

MORNING.

OCTOBER 24, 1885.

Grand Division was called to order at 9:00 A. M. with the following present, [see roll, pages 733-736].

The question having been raised as to the source from which the daily papers received information in regard to the proceedings of the Grand Division, the Grand Secretary stated that in accordance with an established precedent and former orders of the Grand Division, that he had furnished to all reporters such portions of the proceedings as was of public interest; that he had also sent a message of sympathy in the name of the Grand Division to Bro. S. A. Herman, who was taken sick at Indianapolis on his way to the Grand Division.

On motion of Phipps, the action of the Grand Secretary in furnishing news to the press, and in sending a message to Bro. Herman, was endorsed.

The Special Committee on Constitution and Laws resumed the reading of their report.

Paragraphs 11, 12 and 13 of Section 1, Article 2, was adopted as read, by consent.

Section 1, Article 2, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 3, Article 2, moved by Cross to strike out "Such place as may be designated from time to time," and insert "Chicago, Ill."

Motion to amend, lost.

Section 3, Article 2, adopted as read, on motion of Johnstone.

Section 4, Article 2, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 5, Article 2, objections being made, moved by Aeckternacht that Section be adopted. Motion carried.

Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, of Article 3, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 5, of Article 3, read; moved by Johnstone to fill blank with \$5,000; by Peters, to fill with \$4,000; by Baker, to fill with \$3,500; by Millard, to fill with \$3,000; by Wilkins, to fill with \$2,500.

Question on the motion to fill with \$5,000, adopted by the following ballot:

Ayes—Richmond, Compton, McMurray, Parker, A. S., Brown, Burr, Hoadley, Unkefer, Bunnell, Lewis, Wm., Douglas, Johnston, A. A., Hyde, Potter, A., Phelps, Flint, Gordon, Sears, Everts, Collins, S. T., Arnold, Caldwell, Wilder, Vannaman, Brigham, Cole, Garrettsen, Swayze, Sullivan, Gaylord, Cornelius, Tripp, Hancock, Peters, Roberts, J. R., Jackson, Johnstone, Gillett, Carnahan, Permar, Parker, C. C., Mills, Roberts, L. W., Priest, Laughlin, Lovejoy, Ellis, Dennison, Boyden, Glenn, McClintock, Weisz, Harris, R. E., Potter, P. H., Alexander, DeForce, Wallace, Strong, Pechin, Richardson, T. S., Cutter, Hammond, G. R., Adams, Kitto, Nelson, Ives, Cowardin, Waldron, Bell, Stevenson, Hardy, McDonald, R. M., Kelley, Albright, Kirkbride, Moran, Winder, Fessenden, Maxwell, Eggleston, McDonald, T. J., Mitchell, Baker, Fowler, Richardson, Robt., Collins, Coman, Mangum, Kopp, Taylor, Shumate, Robinson, Hurty, Millard, Belknap, Durbin, Flack, Mohler, Collins, W. L., Kimball, Fitzgerald, Rosencranz, Aechternacht, Carver, Sackett, Harnest, McCarthy—109.

Nays—Conner, Dewey, Martin, Duffey, Jones, Hall, Sebree, Stadler, Ogilvie, Smith, L. T., Chapman, A., Smith, G. B., Cross, W. C., Cronk, Park, W. L., German, Phipps, Winter, Willard, Wilkins, Ginn, Vincent, Crawford, Heether, Dillon, Bailey, Gardner, Butt, Sitts, Sloan, Bycraft, Stearns, Johnson, Flynn, Lewis, C. H., Roberts, R., Powles, Cross, C. K., Dodson, Simpkins, Reese, Curran, Snipes, Hamilton, Lefler, Yantis, Mathers, McBain, McDougal, Benson, Sheehan, Little, Babcock, Fairbrass, Graves, Crawford, Bowden, Allen, Parks, G. Mitchell, Harris, W. N., King, Flagg, Johnson, J. T., Blakslee, Collins, M. F., Worden, Hammond, C. F., Burns, J. C., Burley, White, Moor, Chittenden, Ancker, Ross, Cook, McKain, Pugh, English, Ingram, Daniels, Shew, Chapman, H. S., Forker, Stanchfield, Arnum, Loughridge—88.

Section 5, Article 3, adopted on motion of Phipps.

Sections 6 and 7, Article 3, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 8, Article 3, moved by Simpkins to fill blank with \$10,000; by Flack, to fill with \$4,000; by Unkefer, to fill with \$3,800; by DeForce, to fill with \$3,600; by Millard, to fill with \$3,500; by G. B. Smith, to fill with \$3,200; by Peters, to fill with \$3,000; by T. J. McDonald, \$2,800; by Hall, \$2,000.

Question on the motion to fill with \$10,000. Lost.

Question on the motion to fill with \$4,000. Lost.

Motions to fill with \$3,800, \$3,600, \$3,500 and \$3,200, withdrawn.

Question on the motion to fill with \$3,000. Adopted.

Section 8, Article 3, adopted on motion of Millard.

Sections 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13, Article 3, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 1, Article 4, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 2, Article 4, adopted on motion of T. J. McDonald.

Sections 1, 2 and 3, Article 5; Sections 1, 2, 3 and 4, of Article 6; Section 1, Article 7; Sections 1, 2 and 3, Article 8, and Sections 1, 2 and 3, Article 9, all adopted as read, by consent.

Section 4, Article 9, offered by H. S. Chapman, adopted on motion of Phipps.

Sections 5, 6 and 7, Article 9, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 1, Article 10, Sections 1 and 2, Article 11, adopted as read, by consent.

STATUTES.

Sections 1 and 2, Article 1, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 3, Article 1, adopted on motion of Aechternacht.

Minutes read and approved.

Grand Division took a recess at 12:35 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

OCTOBER 24, 1885.

Grand Division called to order at 2:30 P. M., with the following present, [see roll, pages 733-736].

Moved by Kilpatrick that a committee of three be appointed to prepare resolutions on the death of the son of E. B. Hunt.

The G. C. C. appointed as such committee, P. G. C. C. Collins, Stanchfield and Kimball.

The G. C. C. stated that all claims for the payment of expense in the case of any call to settle grievances of any kind was waved in his case.

Section 4, Article 1, of the Statutes, moved by Everts to amend by striking out "on the day of," and inserting "as soon as possible after." Motion adopted.

Section 5, Article 1; Sections 1 to 8 inclusive, Article 2, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 1, Article 3, adopted on motion of J. R. Roberts.

Section 2, Article 3, moved by M. F. Collins to amend by striking out all after the word "such," in the third line. Motion lost.

Moved by Jones to amend by striking out "2" and inserting "1." Lost.

Section adopted on motion of G. Parks.

Sections 3, 4 and 5, Article 3, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 6, Article 3, moved by Phipps to amend by providing for a ballot in case of an unfavorable report by the committee. Motion lost.

On motion of Boyden, Section was adopted as read.

Sections 7 and 8, Article 3, were adopted as read, by consent.

Section 9, Article 3, moved by T. S. Richardson to amend by striking out "one month" and inserting "two weeks." Motion lost.

Moved by McDougal to strike out "one," in the sixth line, and insert "two." Motion lost.

Section 9, Article 3, adopted as read, on motion of W. L. Park.

Section 10, Article 3, was adopted as read, by consent.

Section 11, Article 3, moved by Carver to amend by striking out the word "nearest," and inserting "most convenient," after the word "residence," with the following: "Except where there are two or more divisions in one place they shall have equal jurisdiction." Motion adopted

On motion of Carver, Section 11 was adopted as amended.

Sections 12, 13 and 14, Article 3; Sections 1 to 13 inclusive, Article 4; Section 1, Article 5, were adopted as read, by consent.

Section 2, Article 5, moved by Richmond to amend by adding, "No petition shall be received from a person who has been rejected within six months of the time of such rejection." Motion adopted.

On motion of H. S. Chapman, Section 2, Article 5, was adopted as amended.

Section 3, Article 5, was adopted as read, by consent.

Section 4, Article 5, moved by Daniels to amend by striking out the words, "or fraud." Motion adopted.

Section 4, Article 5, adopted as amended, on motion of Daniels.

Section 5, Article 5, moved by White to amend by striking out the words "one year," in the 11th line, and inserting "six months." Lost.

Section 5, Article 5, adopted as read, on motion of H. S. Chapman.

Section 6, Article 5; Section 1, Article 6, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 1, Article 7, moved by Johnstone to amend by striking out all relating to investigating committee. Motion adopted.

Section 1, Article 7, adopted as amended, by consent.

Section 2, Article 7, adopted as read, by consent.

Section 3, Article 7, adopted on motion of Johnstone.

Section 4, Article 7; Sections 1 to 5 inclusive, Article 8; Sections 1 to 4 inclusive, Article 9; and Section 1, Article 10, adopted as read by consent.

RULES OF ORDER.

Rules 1 to 19 inclusive, adopted as read, by consent.

Rule 20 adopted on motion of T. J. McDonald.

Question on the adoption of the enacting clause unanimously carried.

INSURANCE LAWS.

Articles 1 and 2 adopted as read, by consent.

Moved by White to amend Article 3, by striking out "60" and inserting "55." Moved by Cronk to amend the amendment by striking out "55" and inserting "50." Adopted.

Question on the amendment as amended. Motion adopted.

Article 3, as amended, adopted by consent.

Articles 4 and 5, adopted as read, by consent.

Moved by Johnstone to amend Article 6 by striking out "90" in the fifth line and inserting "60." Motion lost.

Moved by Cross to amend by striking out "2,000" and inserting "\$2,500." Motion adopted.

Article 6, adopted as amended, by consent.

Article 7, adopted as read, by consent.

Moved by White to amend Article 8 by striking out "or of the Order." Motion lost.

Article 8 adopted as read, on motion of H. S. Chapman.

Articles 9 and 10 adopted as read, by consent.

Moved by H. S. Chapman to amend Article 11 by striking out "\$2.50" in the first line and "50 cents" in the fifth line, and inserting in lieu thereof, "\$5" and "3" respectively. Lost.

Article 11 adopted as read, by consent.

Articles 12 to 16 inclusive, adopted as read, by consent.

Moved by Phipps to amend Article 17 by inserting after the word "association" the words, "and also upon the certificate of membership." Motion adopted.

Moved by Chapman to amend Article 17 by striking out the words, "written consent of beneficiary must accompany requests for change." Motion adopted.

Article 17, as amended, was adopted, on motion of Boyden.

Minutes read and approved.

Grand Division took a recess at 6 P. M.

EVENING.

OCTOBER 24, 1885.

Grand Division was called to order at 8 P. M., with the following present, [see roll, pages 733-736].

Articles 18 to 26, of the Insurance Laws, were adopted as read, by consent.

The enacting clause was then unanimously adopted.

The price-list for supplies, as reported by the committee, was approved on motion of Carver.

The Special Committee on the Constitution and Laws recommend the adoption of the following :

Be it Enacted, That Sections 5, 8 and 10, of Article 3, of the Constitution, are hereby suspended, and the corresponding sections of the new Constitution shall take immediate effect. The last clause of Section 2, Article 9, is hereby annulled.

[Report signed.]

E. HAMILTON,
ED. COMAN,
O. SACKETT.

Moved by Boyden to accept, concur in report and adopt recommendation.
Motion adopted.

Moved by Boyden that the thanks of this Grand Division are due and are hereby tendered to the Special Committee on Constitution and Laws, for the able manner in which they have performed their duty. Motion adopted.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals presented their report as follows :

Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Members of Eighteenth Session Grand Division O. of R. C.

We, your Committee on Grievances and Appeals, in the case of Bro. E. A. Pinney, find,

- 1st. That irregularities in the manner of preferring the charges existed.
- 2d. That the notice to Bro. Pinney was not regularly sealed.
- 3d. That Bro. Pinney, in appearing before his division to answer to the charges, waived all the irregularities and took no appeal.

4th. That Bro. Pinney writes, that on August 5th he sent the money to pay his dues and your committee finds that the money order was dated August 12th.

5th. Renewed charges in proper form were made August 8th.

6th. Bro. Pinney has not paid his dues in full and is not entitled to a withdrawal card, as charges existed before he had paid his dues, and he was not in good standing at the time of his application, and that Bro. Pinney must appear before his division to answer to the same and to be so notified.

7th. The decision of the G. C. C. in restoring Bro. Pinney to membership by setting aside the verdict rendered by Division 100, was on account of irregularities in the proceedings and had no bearing on the findings as presented by your committee.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals respectfully submit in the case of Bro. Morford:

- 1st. That his claim against Division 54 is just and legal.
- 2d. That in assuming the consequent liabilities on behalf of Division 54, Bro. Morford did so knowing the condition of the division treasury.
- 3d. That the funds of the Grand Division cannot be applied to this or any similar case as furnishing a bad precedent.
- 4th. The members of Division 54 are respectfully reminded of the tie in their obligation, which alludes to wronging or defrauding a brother.

The Committee on Grievances and Appeals, to whom the case of J. E. Sparks was referred, respectfully present :

That they find that Bro. Sparks withdrew from the Order of Railway Conductors and severed his connection with said Order.

That he subsequently rejoined the Order as charter member of Division 108, and that no withdrawal card was necessary.

The committee find that the allusion to an alias in the proceedings of the 17th annual session, is uncalled for, and that the same has been injurious to Bro. Sparks, and your committee recommend that the same be rectified.

Your committee to whom was referred the case of A. C. Fisher, of Division 44, find, that his appeal from the decision of Division 44 is just, and that fear of personal injury and not sympathy with the strikers was his reason for refusing to run his train.

We further find the proceedings of his trial to have been irregular, and recommend the setting aside of the verdict.

[Signed,]

C. F. HAMMOND,
R. E. HARRIS,
M. S. HOADLEY,
A. S. PARKER,
J. H. KIMBALL,

Committee.

Moved by Permar to accept the report of the committee on the case of Division 100 vs. E. A. Pinney. Adopted.

Moved by Cronk to accept report of committee in regard to the claim of J. B. Morford. Motion adopted.

Moved by P. H. Potter that report of committee in regard to J. R. Sparks be adopted and recommendation concurred in. Motion adopted.

J. H. Kimball in the chair.

Report of the committee on the appeal of A. C. Fisher from the decision of Division 44.

Moved by Boyden to concur in recommendation of committee.

Previous question moved by Babcock and ordered by the Grand Division.

Question on motion to concur lost.

Moved by Johnstone to sustain the decision of Division 44.

Motion adopted.

By Chapman :

Resolved, That an appropriation not to exceed \$140 per month be made for the purpose of employing the necessary assistance in the office of the G. S. and T., and that inasmuch as the entire editorial labors upon our *Monthly*, as well as the duties of the G. S. and T., have been imposed upon the Grand Secretary, the privilege of employing such assistance shall be invested entirely with him, and it is the sense of this Grand Division that members of the Order should be given the preference where there are applications from members of the Order who are capable of performing these duties.

Moved by Chapman that resolution be adopted. Motion carried.

By Sackett :

Be it Ordered, That the G. S. and T., as soon as possible after the close of this Grand Division, have printed that portion of the new Constitution

adopted at this session, which is ordered into immediate effect, and send a copy to the secretary of each division.

On motion of Sackett the resolution was adopted.

The special committee on the death of the son of E. B. Hunt, reported as follows :

We, your committee, beg leave to report as follows :

This Grand Division having learned with deep regret that Bro. E. B. Hunt has suddenly been called to his home by the death of his son; therefore be it

Resolved, That this Grand Division extend to Bro. E. B. Hunt and family our heartfelt sympathy in this their bereavement, and for strength and consolation to sustain them in this their affliction, we respectfully commend them to the G. C. C. of the Universe, who alone can render the same.

[Signed,]

W. L. COLLINS,
C. A. STANCHFIELD,
J. H. KIMBALL,

Committee.

On motion of Moran the report of the committee was adopted.

The G. C. C. appointed Bros. Everts, Lefler, G. Parks, Hall and Johnstone as a committee to draft resolutions of thanks to parties to whom the Grand Division is indebted for favors.

The special committee appointed to prepare reply to communication from the American Train Dispatchers' Association reported as follows :

OCTOBER 23, 1885.

To the Chief Conductor and Brothers of the Grand Division :

We, the special committee to which was referred the communication of the American Train Dispatchers' Association, beg leave to report to your honorable body the following letter, and recommend that it be copied and forwarded to the president of the association.

[Signed]

J. M. BOYDEN,
W. J. MAXWELL,
C. W. MANGUM,
H. F. WALLACE,
ALF. BAILEY,

Committee.

LOUISVILLE, KY., October 24, 1885.

Gentlemen of the American Train Dispatchers' Association :

The Grand Division Order of Railway Conductors, now in session at Louisville, October 23, 1885, do cordially extend to your honorable body our hearty and sincere thanks for your most flattering message to this body October 8th, and heartily reciprocate the sentiments therein expressed, that

the rules and train orders be made uniform all over the railway system of this continent, that there has been a resolution adopted by this Grand Division to that effect. Once more we extend to you our best wishes for your success in the objects of your association, and in extending to you the wish that the fraternal bonds that bind railway men together may grow closer and more binding until we stand in hearty accord on all questions that pertain to our mutual welfare, and may He who rules the storms and holds the lightning in His hand guide you in all your future meetings, is the prayer of the Order of Railway Conductors.

On motion of Aechternecht the report was adopted.

The Committee on Division Reports made report as follows :

To Grand Chief Conductor, Officers and Brothers .

We, your Committee on Division Reports, beg leave to submit the following :

We find that the average of the reports is much better than ever heretofore ; that while there are many errors that might with a little care have been avoided, yet the improvement over former years is marked, and many of the errors noted are so slight that they do not affect the information to be obtained from the reports.

We find that Divisions No. 4 and 174, judging from their reports, conclude that by electing members of their division to office they deprive them of membership — at least they omit their names from the roll of members.

Notwithstanding the caution contained on the last page of each blank report, many divisions have forgotten to affix the impression of their division seal, thus making the report simply a personal one, and not by authority of the division. The following divisions have omitted the seal : Nos. 84, 108, 155, 158 and 180.

We find in the case of Division No. 5 that the report is not signed by the C. C. while on the report of Division No. 158 there is no signature at all, neither is the seal of the division affixed. Division No. 7 includes in its roll of members the name of a member who has been expelled, thus showing in the roll one more member than they actually have, and marring an otherwise exceptionally good report.

Division No. 21 omits from its roll of members the names of eight who have been made members during the past year. Division No. 68 omits the names of three old members, and No. 89 omits the names of twenty-one members. There is also an error in recapitulation of No. 21; they have seventy-seven members ; their report shows sixty-nine, while the recapitulation shows seventy-six.

Division No. 24 gives the names of thirty-four members, omitting the name of J. C. Donohue, who is Inside Sentinel. Why this brother should be deprived of his membership by being elected to office is a query your committee are unable to answer. The recapitulation shows thirty-five mem-

bers, which is correct. Had not the name of J. C. Donohue been erased from the roll of members the report would have been correct.

We find that the report of Division No. 69 has been incorrect for three years. They have failed to report the initiation and promotion of brothers who have been made members of their division. We recommend that the Grand Secretary be instructed to charge to the division the sum of \$6, being the initiation and promotion fees on six members, who are reported now as being in good standing, but who are not reported on any report from their division as being initiated or promoted, or as having joined by card.

The reports of Divisions 65 and 94 fail to give the date of one promotion, and Nos. 89 and 127 fail to give the dates of initiations and promotions.

We present the following letter without recommendation, but wish to express as our opinion that it is clearly the duty of the retiring officers to report the work of the division while under their charge :

WEST ALBANY, Oct. 2, 1885.

BRO. W. P. DANIELS—I made out the yearly report after the last meeting in September, and presented it to Chief Conductor Fonda to sign. He would not sign it. His reasons are, that as Charles Markells was elected Chief Conductor on September 14th, and so shows on the report, the report is not made out right, and so will not sign it.

I will send you report signed by C. C. elect, and await your reply as to whether it is correct or not. Yours in P. F.,

CYRUS McCAMMON.

P. S.—Bro. Fonda did not examine report. He saw C. Markell's name under head of C. C. elect, and said it was not right, would not sign it, but handed it back.

On the reports of Divisions Nos. 90, 91, 92, 93, 97, 98, 102, 107, 108 and 120 the names are not in alphabetical order, and the report of 91 fails to give the date of an expulsion.

There are errors in the recapitulations in the reports from Divisions 12, 36, 52, 60, 87, 92, 94, 100, 108, 121, 122, 124, 126, 158 and 169.

Division 169 reports the death of a member, but does not show that he was a member of the division, there being no report of his initiation, promotion or admission by card.

Division 103 reports five members under the head of "suspended," with a statement that they were delinquent, but that no action had been taken by the division, and the names are omitted from the roll of members. It is the opinion of your committee that such action is wholly unwarranted, and we recommend that the report be returned to the Secretary of Division 103, with instructions to correct by inserting the names of the five members omitted, and to continue them on the books of the division as members until such time as they may be regularly suspended, expelled or otherwise dismissed.

Division 126 reports in its roll of members the name of a brother who has withdrawn.

Divisions 110, 122, 126, 134 and 144 give the names of *all* their members under the headings of initiations and promotions, instead of those initiated and promoted during the year, and in the case of one division it would have caused an overcharge of \$18.00, had the fees been charged in accordance with the report.

Divisions 88, 153, 158, 172, 173, 180 and 186 fail to give the dates of initiations and promotions, or the names of members initiated and promoted. This is a serious defect in the reports, and it seems to your committee that a little attention on the part of division officers would obviate it, as the headings on the report blanks are certainly plain: and though there may be some excuse for divisions organized during the last year, it is the opinion of your committee that there can be none for the older ones.

Division 84 fails to give the name and address of either the C. C. or Secretary in the proper place, while No. 124 omits the names of officers elect on page 2 of report.

Your committee wish to call the attention of your honorable body to the letter from Division 13, accompanying this report. Bro. M. Gillen is reported in the roll of members of Division 13.

ST. THOMAS, ONT., September 30, 1885.

To W. P. Daniels, Esq.:

DEAR SIR AND BROTHER—Bro. M. Gillen was initiated on May 22, 1881, and I can find no promotion on record. He claims to have been initiated and promoted on same date. I reported him as initiated on my September 30, 1883, report, but show no report of him in last year's report, but do in this as an old member. I would like your advice on this. This accounts for the difference between 77 in recapitulation and 78 in list of members. Bro. McCarthy holding withdrawal card from London Division, No. 16, holds receipt in full up to September 30, 1885, from that division, and I feel they ought to pay his Grand dues. If you think it best, we will pay Bro. Gillen as an initiated member until I can get him promoted again and have him show as such on the books.

Thanks for your return of report, etc.

Yours in P. F.

W. H. INGRAM.

Division 107 reports two members admitted by card, but does not give names and dates.

Division 108 reports one member deceased, but does not give name, date and cause.

Division 135 reports a member withdrawn, but does not give date.

A large majority of the errors made by divisions is in omitting to fill out the balance statement on next to last page of report. This is an error that makes no inconvenience to the Grand Officers, as it is a statement for the information of the divisions only, but a neat and complete report should show that this statement balanced exactly with the figures footed up in proper shape. The divisions making this error are 1, 18, 22, 25, 29, 36, 50, 66, 70, 74, 92, 93, 98, 107, 108, 132 and 164.

The reports of all divisions not noted here are correct, and some of them are models of excellence. We wish in this connection to mention those from Divisions No. 28, 35, 41, 42, 53, 57, 168 and 170 as worthy of imitation.

In conclusion, we wish to earnestly urge upon all division secretaries the necessity of paying more attention to the matter of correctly reporting the roll of members and the names and dates of initiations and promotions, in order that the information may be properly recorded in the office of the Grand Secretary. It is also necessary that each division should keep on file a complete copy of its reports, so they may be referred to at any time.

A. H. GARDNER,
C. H. WILKINS,
B. F. CAPERTON,
P. F. DUFFEY,
WM. P. DANIELS,

Committee.

Moved by G. Parks that report be accepted. Motion adopted.

Moved by Fitzgerald that the Grand Division now take a recess until 9:30 A. M., Monday. Motion lost.

The Finance Committee presented their report as follows :

To the Grand Chief Conductor and Members of the Eighteenth Annual Session of the Order of Railway Conductors :

BROTHERS :—We, your Committee on Finance, respectfully submit that, owing to the limited time at our disposal, the volume of business to be audited, and our unfamiliarity with the method employed, we are compelled in justice to G. S. and T., to the Order and ourselves, to recommend that the Executive Committee be instructed to employ an expert to examine the G. S. and T. books under their supervision, and the reports to be published in the proceedings.

We recommend that the course pursued by the G. C. C. and G. S. and T., in the matter of clerk hire, be endorsed, and that the expense was a good investment and has our approval.

That the recommendation of our G. S. and T. regarding the publication of the *Monthly* is good, and we ask you to deliberate upon the same.

That the publication of an itemized statement of the G. S. and T., of the receipts and expenditures of the office during the past year, be omitted.

We do not concur in the seventh recommendation of the Committee on Grand Officers' Reports, regarding the payment of expenses of the Commission on Permanent Location, as up to the present time no bills have been presented to us.

We recommend that the Rituals ordered sent divisions, in lieu of the old ones ordered destroyed, be charged at the regular rates.

The bills of the Executive Committee, as presented, are as follows, and we recommend the payment of same :

J. S. Randolph.....	\$ 6 02
J. N. Robinson.....	10 00
H. Hurty.....	12 00
Total.....	<hr/> \$28 02

In view of the fact that the last clause of Section 2, Article 9, has been annulled by your Grand Body, we recommend that a special assessment of 50 cents be made upon each member of the Order to cover the six months not provided for under the new law.

And for the first year under the new law the Grand dues shall be \$1 per member.

In conclusion we wish to compliment our G. S. and T. for the correctness of his books, so far as we have been able to examine, and that it would take us at least one week to give them a satisfactory examination.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

[Signed,]

L. R. CARVER,
J. L. IVES,
R. S. McMURRAY,
R. C. COWARDIN,
A. B. GARRETTSON,
Committee.

Minutes read and approved. Grand Division took recess at 11:30 P. M.

MORNING.

OCTOBER 26, 1885.

Grand Division was called to order at 9:00 A. M., with the following present, [see roll, pages 733-736].

The following telegram was read from E. J. Little, who was excused from further attendance Saturday, October 24 :

MARION, Ohio, October 25, 1885.

A young conductor reported at 4 o'clock P. M., with blank name on credentials. The Grand Division will please fill blank.

E. J. LITTLE, Delegate Div. 120.

On motion of C. F. Hammond, the Grand Secretary was instructed to reply, recommending the name of Louis V. Little. Motion adopted.

A communication from P. G. C. C. Morford was read, as follows :

ST. THOMAS, ONT., October 17, 1885.

To the Grand Officers and Delegates of the Eighteenth Annual Session of the Grand Division, Order of Railway Conductors, Louisville, Ky..

DEAR SIRS AND BROTHERS—My communication of the 9th, together with an itemized account and bills of proof of my claim against the Order, with letters from Bros. Lewis and Smith, having been read by the Grand Secretary and Treasurer, your honorable body have recognized the fact that I am a Vanderbilt or Jay Gould, therefore I respectfully tender my resignation as a permanent member of the Grand Division.

I do not longer recognize the Order of Railway Conductors, or associate myself with its members as a "brother."

Since my connection with the Order I have devoted much of my time and money to the organization, and while your Grand Chief Conductor brought the Grand Division out of debt, or nearly so, and, when retiring from the chair, presented you with one hundred dollars, which I think should have been sufficient reasons for the Grand Division to arrange a settlement with me of my claim.

Truly yours,

J. B. MORFORD.

Moved by W. L. Collins, that the Grand Secretary be instructed to reply to the letter, requesting Bro. Morford to reconsider and withdraw his resignation. Motion adopted.

A communication from L. A. Ash, of the *Railway Age*, was read and placed on file.

Moved by Johnstone, that the Grand Secretary return the thanks of this Grand Division to the Fire Department of Louisville for their kind offer, and inform them that it will be impossible to arrange for a time to witness the exhibition.

A communication from the New Albany Commandery, Knights Templar, requesting all members of the Grand Division who were members of that Order, to attend their regular conclave, was read.

The report of the Committee on Finance was taken up for final action.

Moved by Cronk, to concur in the first recommendation. Adopted.

Moved by H. S. Chapman, to concur in the second recommendation. Adopted.

Moved by Snipes, to concur in the third recommendation. Adopted.

Moved by Forker, to concur in the fourth recommendation. Adopted.

Moved by H. S. Chapman, to concur in the fifth recommendation. Adopted.

Moved by Aechternacht to concur in the sixth recommendation. Adopted.

Moved by Cronk, to concur in the seventh recommendation; and that orders be drawn for amount of bills as follows:

J. S. Randolph, \$6.02; J. N. Robinson, \$10; H. Hurty, \$12.

Motion to adopt recommendation seventh carried.

Moved by Coman, to concur in eighth recommendation. Adopted.

Moved by Parker, to concur in ninth recommendation. Adopted.

Moved by Snipes, to accept the tenth recommendation. Adopted.

Moved by Baker, that the signatures of the Executive Committee be placed on application for annual passes for the G. C. C. Lost.

HUNTINGTON, W. VA., Oct. 21, 1885.

To C. S. Wheaton, Galt House, Louisville:

Can't come. Too busy. Sorry. Hope you will have a profitable and harmonious meeting. Please say to the brothers that I regret very much my inability to meet them this year. If it is possible will be with you Friday, the 23d. Will advise you again.

C. R. ASHTON.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The G. C. C. appointed as tellers, Bros. Permar, W. L. Park and L. T. Smith.

Nominations for member of Executive Committee:

Bro. Belknap, nominated by Reese.

Bro. Allen Potter, nominated by W. L. Park.

Bro. H. S. Chapman, nominated by J. C. Burns.

Bro. A. H. Cutter, nominated by Yantis.

Bro. Carver, nominated by Gaylord.

Bro. Everts, nominated by Kimball.

Bro. Johnstone, nominated by G. R. Hammond.

Bro. Peters, nominated by Boyden.

Bros. Peters and Chapman declined.

The first ballot resulted as follows:

Belknap, 80; Potter, 20; Cutter, 5; Carver, 8; Everts, 9; Johnstone, 50; Sackett, 4; Peters, 2.

There being no majority a second ballot was taken, resulting as follows:

Belknap, 114; Potter, 9; Cutter, 1; Everts, 2; Johnstone, 51; Peters, 3.

Bro. E. H. Belknap having received a majority was declared duly elected member of the Executive Committee.

Nominations for Assistant G. C. C.:

Coman, nominated by Permar.

Carver, nominated by Phipps.

Gardner, nominated by King.

C. F. Hammond, nominated by Cronk.

J. D. Hamilton, nominated by Hubbard.

Durbin, nominated by Jackson.

Bro. Gardner declined.

The first ballot resulted as follows :

Coman, 109; Carver, 41; Hammond, 15; Hamilton, 6; Durbin, 8; Richardson, 1; Johnstone, 1.

Bro. E. Coman having received a majority, was declared duly elected Assistant G. C. C.

Nominations for Grand Senior Conductor :

Ledler, nominated by Unkefer.

Durbin, nominated by Vannaman.

White, nominated by Cornelius.

J. D. Hamilton, nominated by Jones.

Gardner, nominated by Sheehan,

Permar, nominated by Cross.

Flack, nominated by Arnold.

Richardson, nominated by Gillett.

The first ballot resulted as follows :

Durbin, 115; Ledler, 12; White, 5; Hamilton, 19; Gardner, 4; Permar, 10; Flack, 8; Richardson, 8.

Bro. W. J. Durbin having received a majority, was declared duly elected Grand Senior Conductor.

Nominations for Grand Junior Conductor :

Bycraft, nominated by Dillon.

Permar, nominated by Cross.

Ives, nominated by Curran.

Duffey, nominated by Fitzgerald.

J. D. Hamilton, nominated by Jones.

Richardson, nominated by McDonald.

White, nominated by Cornelius.

Flack, nominated by Parker.

Phelps, nominated by Gaylord.

Garrettson, nominated by Harnest.

The first ballot resulted as follows :

Bycraft, 7; Permar, 7; Ives, 10; Duffey, 12; Hamilton, 19; Richardson, 2; White, 6; Flack, 110; Phelps, 4; Garrettson, 5.

Bro. W. W. Flack having received a majority, was declared duly elected Grand Junior Conductor.

Nominations for Grand Inside Sentinel :

Everts, nominated by Chapman.

Mohler, nominated by Wilder.

Cross, nominated by Permar.

Parker, nominated by Reese.

Hammond, nominated by Parker.

Collins, nominated by Vincent.

Bycraft, nominated by Hyde.
 Sitts, nominated by Weisz.
 J. D. Hamilton, nominated by Compton.
 Potter, nominated by Curran.
 Dewey, nominated by Taylor.
 J. R. Roberts, nominated by Willard.
 Phelps, nominated by Gaylord.
 Dennison, nominated by Kelley.
 Snipes, nominated by Kirkbride.
 Parks, nominated by Ancker.

The first ballot resulted as follows :

Everts, 25 ; Mohler, 19 ; Cross, 4 ; Parker, 15 ; Hammond, 24 ; Collins, 6 ;
 Bycraft, 5 ; Sitts, 17 ; Hamilton, 17 ; Potter, 15 ; Dewey, 5 ; Roberts, 3 ;
 Phelps, 7 ; Dennison, 2 ; Snipes, 1 ; Parks, 14.

Bros. Cross, Hammond, Bycraft, Dewey, Roberts, Dennison and Snipes
 withdrew their names.

There being no majority, a second ballot was taken, which resulted as
 follows :

Everts, 39 ; Mohler, 22 ; Parker, 17 ; Sitts, 32 ; Hamilton, 16 ; Potter, 34 ;
 Phelps, 6 ; Parks, 12.

Bros. Parks and Phelps withdrew. No election.

Moved by Cross to take a recess until 3 P. M. Adopted.

Moved by Hoadley to reconsider vote to take recess. Lost.

Moved by Ancker to excuse R. McDonald. Motion adopted.

Moved by Daniels to excuse J. T. Johnson. Motion lost.

Minutes read and approved. Division took a recess at 1:25 P. M.

AFTERNOON.

OCTOBER 26, 1885.

Grand Division was called to order at 3:00 P. M., with the following
 present, [see roll, pages 733-736].

The third ballot for Grand Inside Sentinel was taken, which resulted as
 follows :

Everts, 49 ; Mohler, 24 ; Parker, 8 ; Sitts, 32 ; Hamilton, 24 ; Potter, 40 ;
 Phipps, 1 ; Evans, 1 ; Allen Potter, 2.

There being no majority, a fourth ballot was taken, which resulted as
 follows :

Everts, 87 ; Mohler, 8 ; Sitts, 19 ; Hamilton, 19 ; Potter, 40 ; Phipps, 1 ;
 Evans, 1 ; Allen Potter, 3.

There being no choice, a fifth ballot was taken, which resulted as
 follows :

Everts, 135 ; Mohler, 8 ; Hamilton, 10 ; Potter, 28.

Bro. C. W. Everts having received a majority, was declared duly elected
 Grand Inside Sentinel.

Nominations for Grand Outside Sentinel :

Hall, nominated by Jones.
 Loughridge, nominated by Kopp.
 Richardson, nominated by Vannaman.
 Hamilton, nominated by McDonald.
 Fessenden, nominated by Richardson.
 Sitts, nominated by Weisz.
 Curran, nominated by Ives.
 Parker, nominated by Flack.
 Gillett, nominated by Cornelius.
 Jones, nominated by Lewis.
 Wilkins, nominated by Permar.
 Cutter, nominated by Jackson.
 Ives, nominated by Ludwig.
 Bros. Sitts, Wilkins and Ives declined.
 First ballot resulted as follows :

Hall, 41 ; Loughridge, 30 ; Richardson, 40 ; Hamilton, 15 ; Fessenden, 1 ;
 Curran, 8 ; Parker, 9 ; Gillett, 1 ; Jones, 9 ; Cutter, 1 ; Compton, 8 ; Carver, 4 ;
 Ellis, 2 ;

Bros. Parker, Gillett and Jones withdrew.

There being no majority, a second ballot was taken, which resulted as follows :

Richardson 25 ; Hall, 129 ; Loughridge, 15 ; Curran, 3 ; Compton, 2.

Bro. J. H. Hall having received a majority, was declared duly elected
 Grand Outside Sentinel.

Nominations for member of Insurance Committee :

- E. Hamilton, by Phelps.
- W. S. Sears, by Chapman.
- Johnstone, by Moran.
- Phipps, by C. F. Hammond.
- Bro. Phipps declined.

The first ballot resulted as follows :

Potter, 17 ; Hoadley, 24 ; Hamilton, 56 ; Sears, 66 ; Johnstone, 11.

There being no majority, a second ballot was taken, which resulted as follows :

Hoadley, 7 ; Hamilton, 51 ; Sears, 115 ; Johnstone, 2.

Bro. W. S. Sears having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared duly elected a member of the Insurance Committee.

Nominations for place of meeting:

Chicago, by Cross.
 New Orleans, by Unkefer.
 Toronto, by Hall.
 Denver, by Carnahan.

Atlanta, by W. L. Collins.

Cleveland, by Bunnell.

Buffalo, by Sitts.

Utica, by King.

Wilder read a communication from the Governor of Colorado and the Mayor of Denver, inviting the Grand Division to hold their next session in Denver.

H. S. Chapman seconded the nomination of New Orleans.

King read a telegram from the mayor of Utica, inviting the Grand Division to hold their next session in that city.

By a viva voce ballot all the places nominated received votes, but it becoming apparent that New Orleans led by a large plurality, many delegates changing their votes from other places to New Orleans, that place was finally selected by a large majority. So many changes were made in the votes that the tellers were unable to announce the exact vote.

Moved by Hurty that the Grand Division make the installation of the Grand Officers elect public and request the presence of the ladies.

Motion adopted.

The G. C. C. requested the visiting brothers to call at the various hotels and invite the ladies to witness the installation.

The committee appointed to prepare resolutions of thanks reported as follows :

LOUISVILLE, KY., October 24, 1885.

WHEREAS, The members of this the eighteenth annual session of the Grand Division, and visiting brothers and their families, have been the recipients of many courtesies and marks of kindness from the several parties herein mentioned, and as an expression of our gratitude for the same, it is hereby

Resolved, That the thanks of the Grand Division be and are hereby tendered to Monon Division, No. 89, for their many courtesies and warm expressions and untiring efforts to make our visit to Louisville instructive and entertaining.

That our thanks are especially due to James S. Clark, general passenger agent, S. J. Gates, city passenger agent, R. S. Miner, general ticket agent, and George F. Evans, of the management of the St. Louis Air Line Railway, for their kindness in furnishing a *free* train to and from Marengo Cave, thus affording the members and their families an opportunity of viewing one of nature's greatest wonders.

That to the lessees and managers of Marengo Cave, who so kindly threw open their doors and conducted their members free through the wonderful labyrinth, thus enabling them to view its beautiful passages, palaces and grottos, and the general courtesies extended us by them will ever be held in grateful remembrance.

That to the managers of the Louisville Exposition, who invited us to become their guests and view the magnificent displays of art, science, man-

ufacture and agriculture there made, our heartiest thanks are due and are hereby tendered.

That to the Louisville & Nashville Railway, for their generous offer of a free train to Lexington and return, our thanks are especially due.

That our thanks are due and are hereby tendered to the Pullman and Woodruff Sleeping Car Companies, and the Mann Boudoir Company, for their unbounded generosity in furnishing free use of their cars to and from Louisville to members and their families.

That in extending the free use of their lines to members of the Grand Division, our thanks are especially due and are hereby tendered the Western Union Telegraph Company.

That the arrangements made for members of the Order by the Louisville Transfer Company are heartily appreciated, and our thanks are hereby extended to them.

That the invitation of the Louisville Fire Department to witness an exhibition given by them of the working of their system be received and the regrets of the members be returned for their inability to accept the same on account of lack of time to do so. Be it further

Resolved, That the courtesies extended by the various railway lines to members attending this the eighteenth annual session of our Order, are heartily appreciated, and we believe the effect will be to promote the interests of all parties; and we congratulate the members of the Order for the generous recognition of their standing and faithfulness by the companies whom they represent, and who, we believe, have granted these courtesies from *their* knowledge that *our* interests are *theirs*. Let us, then, as employees, guard faithfully the great interests committed to our care, and thereby merit a continuance of the confidence reposed in us.

We, your committee, most respectfully recommend that a copy of these resolutions be furnished to the several parties herein mentioned.

[Signed,]

C. W. EVERTS,
J. B. W. JOHNSTONE,
G. W. LEFLER,
W. L. PARKS,
J. H. HALL,

Committee.

On motion of Carver the report of the committee was adopted.

The following brothers were enrolled as permanent members of the Grand Division :

Samuel Phipps,
Austin Samuel Parker,
George Randolph Hammond,
Frank William Flint,
William Elliott Forker,
James Laughlin,
Leonidas German,
Carroll Ambrose Millard.

A telegram was received from E. J. Little, announcing that the name recommended by the Grand Division was accepted with thanks.

Bro. C. F. Hammond then offered the following letter, which was forwarded to Louis V. Little, with a silver cup presented by the writer :

LOUISVILLE, KY., Oct. 26, 1885.

MY YOUNG FRIEND — As I had a hand in giving you the name which you will bear through life, I deem a word of explanation due you.

Thirty-nine years ago to-day I began life as you have, in the milk business, and I had no more to do with my name than you have at present, so the only advantage I have over you is that I am six feet one, and you are, say, one foot six.

As you are probably a kicker, you have that privilege, and a voice, also; but in later years I sincerely hope you will not kick, except as far as the milk is concerned, and in order to make your inevitable diet as palatable as possible, I beg to send you a cup to drink it from, when you can do so of your own free will and accord. Be good.

C. F. HAMMOND.

LOUIS V. LITTLE.

The Grand Outside Sentinel announced that the ladies were in waiting, when the doors of the Grand Division were opened.

The following Grand Officers elect were then publicly installed by P. G. C. C. Kimball, Bro. C. E. Weisz acting as Marshal :

Assistant Grand Chief Conductor, Edmund Coman, Kansas City, Missouri.

Grand Inside Sentinel, Charles W. Everts, Meadville, Pennsylvania.

Grand Outside Sentinel, James H. Hall, Parkdale, Ontario.

Member of Executive Committee, Erwin H. Belknap, Galesburg, Illinois.

Member of Insurance Committee, W. S. Sears, Adrian, Michigan.

Grand Division was closed at 7 P. M. until 1 P. M. (13 o'clock), the second Tuesday in May, 1887, unless sooner specially convened.

C. S. WHEATON,

Grand Chief Conductor.

WM. P. DANIELS,

Grand Secretary and Treasurer

GRAND OFFICERS.

GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR, CALVIN S. WHEATON,
115 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill.

ASS'T GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTOR, EDMUND BURDETTE COMAN,
905 13th Street, Kansas City, Mo.

GRAND SECRETARY AND TREASURER, WILLIAM P. DANIELS,
115 Dearborn Street, Chicago, Ill.

GRAND SENIOR CONDUCTOR, WILLIAM J. DURRIN,
726 Clybourn Street, Milwaukee, Wis.

GRAND JUNIOR CONDUCTOR, WILLIAM W. FLACK,
Quincy, Ill.

GRAND INSIDE SENTINEL, CHARLES W. EVERTS,
Meadville, Pa.

GRAND OUTSIDE SENTINEL, JAMES HARVEY HALL,
Parkdale, Ontario.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.

	TERM EXPIRES
JOHN N. ROBINSON, Chairman, 401 Eleventh Street, Milwaukee, Wis.	May, 1887.
HIRAM HURTY, Elmira, New York.	May, 1888.
ERWIN H. BELKNAP, Galesburg, Illinois.	May, 1889.

INSURANCE COMMITTEE.

	TERM EXPIRES
CALVIN S. WHEATON, Chairman, Chicago, Ill.	May, 1887.
WILLIAM H. INGRAM, St. Thomas, Ontario.	May, 1887.
WALTER S. SEARS, Adrian, Mich.	May, 1888.

PAST GRAND CHIEF CONDUCTORS.

WILLIAM L. COLLINS, JOHN B. MORFORD,	CYRUS A. STANCHFIELD, JOSEPH H. KIMBALL.
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PERMANENT MEMBERS.

WILLIAM L. COLLINS, JOHN B. MORFORD, BEN. ARNUM, CALVIN S. WHEATON, HARRISON S. CHAPMAN, ISAAC F. DAVIDSON, FRANK ROSENCRAUZ, FREDERICK C. AECHTERNACHT, HENRY SHEW, *WINFIELD S. DUNN, MICHAEL RYAN, EDGAR B. HUNT, E. OLIN SOULE, SAMUEL H. DEFRIES, JAMES OGILVIE, SAMUEL PHIPPS, WILLIAM E. FORKER, AUSTIN S. PARKER,	CYRUS A. STANCHFIELD, JOSEPH H. KIMBALL, CHARLES R. ASHTON, LUTHER R. CARVER, WILLIAM J. JACKMAN, SAMUEL A. HERMAN, WILLIAM P. DANIELS, RICHARD E. FITZGERALD, JOSEPH H. ARCHER, ANDREW G. BROWN, ETHAN A. STONE, JAMES C. WHISSEN, EDWARD L. FAY, JONATHAN S. RANDOLPH, CARROLL A. MILLARD, LEONIDAS GERMAN, FRANK W. FLINT, JAMES LAUGHLIN, GEORGE R. HAMMOND.
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*Deceased.